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The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture Co-operating

Horticultural Building
30 Elm Street
Worcester, Mass.

For the year

1977

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RULES MUST BE READ CAREFULLY

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

This "Schedule of Premiums" lists the Horticultural Society's exhibitions for the current year and the awards and prizes offered. Competition in these exhibitions is open to everyone, subject to the following general regulations:

1. All specimens offered for exhibition shall have been grown by the competitors, for at least two months previous to the date of exhibition, except in a class specifically marked "No restriction as to the grower".

2. No artificial plants, flowers or foliage preserved or altered by any process shall be exhibited at any show of this Society, except for a special purpose and with the consent of the Executive Director.

3. Seedlings may be exhibited at any show and will receive appropriate recognition.

4. No individual, group, or organization will be permitted to introduce into the building as part of a display, any material of a promotional or advertising nature without the expressed written permission of the Executive Director.

5. All articles for exhibition must be in the Hall and ready for inspection by the Judges as specified in the Exhibition Schedule.

6. All articles offered for premiums must remain within the Hall throughout the hours of Exhibition.

7. Vases for specimen classes and displays are available in the Hall if desired. Exhibitors in Flower Arrangement classes should provide their own vases. Water for flowers is obtainable in the West Room, Basement and 2nd floor.

8. All entries must be made by exhibitor to the Assistant Secretary and all cards made out by her or her assistants, except Single Spike Classes. Blank Tags are available in the Library.

9. No person shall make more than one entry of the same variety under the same class number.

10. Every exhibit entered in a class of named varieties should be correctly named.

11. When filled out and placed by the exhibit, the card of an exhibitor competing for premiums shall be reversed for anonymity and shall remain so until after premiums are awarded.

12. After the articles are arranged, they will be under the exclusive charge of the Judges and Committee of Arrangements, and not even the owners will have liberty to remove them until the Exhibition is closed.

13. While the Society will take reasonable precautions for the safety of the property of exhibitors, it will be responsible in no case for any loss or damage that may occur.

14. The Hall will be closed during judging as specified and will be open to the public at the proper time.

15. Premiums, ribbons, and special awards will be given at each exhibition according to this Schedule.

16. A Scale of Points used by Judges appears on page 7.

17. The Judges may omit premiums for all inferior specimens and may correct any errors that they think were without deliberate purpose.

18. Where a certain number or quantity of Plants, Flowers, Fruits or Vegetables is designated in the schedule, there must be neither more nor less than that number or quantity of specimens shown; and in no case can other varieties than those named in the Schedule be substituted.

19. Competitors may be required to share information as to their mode of cultivation.

20. The Judges may subdivide classes if conditions warrant.

21. No Judge shall require anything of competitors respecting their exhibits which is not distinctly specified in the Schedule.

22. In Table Decorations, Collections and Displays of Flowers, Fruits, Vegetables, Vases and Baskets, where the number of exhibits exceeds the number of premiums offered, the Judge may award prizes to any worthy exhibits not receiving a premium.

23. The Judges may correct, before the close of any exhibition, awards made by them, if satisfied that such were erroneous, and the decision of the Judges shall be final.

24. No exhibits may be removed until the Exhibition is closed. If an exhibitor wishes to retain exhibit, he must arrange to have it picked up immediately at closing.

25. All articles on a one-day show to be removed by the next day - unless that day falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Holiday.

26. No sale of Exhibition Fruit, Flowers or Vegetables shall be made in the building during the Show.

27. All premium checks that are not cashed within one year after the close of the official year will be forfeited to the Society.

28. The Committee on Arrangements has power to change the time of exhibition, if an earlier or later season renders such change desirable.

29. The same potted plants can be exhibited only once in a season, for prize money. All pot plants must have been in the possession of the exhibitor for at least two months prior to the show and have been growing in a pot during that time.

SPECIAL RULES

1. In all exhibits of Wild Flowers, no endangered species may be shown. The Hadwen Botanical Club leaflet showing different groups of wild flowers may be obtained from the Assistant Secretary.

2. In all exhibits of Lilies, the pollen may be removed.

3. In all exhibitions of Hardy Cut Flowers and Shrubs for competition, the number of blooms, clusters, sprays or spikes shown is not restricted. The Judge will consider the quality of the flowers rather than the quantity.

4. In all exhibits of Roses, minimum length of stem to be 6 inches except Flower Arrangements, Shrub Roses, and miniatures.

DEFINITION OF TERMS

Amateur: An amateur is defined as a grower raising plants or flowers for pleasure and not for sale and who does not enter into the regular scheduled classes.

Clone (Clon): Group, variety or variation of plants propagated by asexual or vegetative parts. Such races may not "come true" from seed. The horticultural varieties of roses, apples, oranges, strawberries and carnations are clones; also the cultivated forms of daylilies and plantain-lily (Hosta) that are not produced from seed. Clone or clon is a horticultural rather than a taxonomic term.

Collection: An assemblage of a number of kinds or varieties of flowers, plants, fruits and/or vegetables in one exhibit, the specific number and sorts of which should be regulated by the flower show schedule. Quality, variety, rarity, effectiveness and range of the particular group as well as horticultural perfection are considered in judging collections. Size of collection, without other qualifications, is unimportant.

Display: The term generally used for a group of flowers, fruits and/or vegetables, sometimes plants, covering a definite space or containing a definite number of specimens, or both, arranged to create an artistic effect. It is judged both for quality of materials and artistic effect. The term should be used where artistic effect is stressed rather than "collection".

Fern Globe - A container globose in shape whose principal plant type is ferns. Similarly a Berry Globe is globose, not square or rectangular, which contains mostly partridge berry plants.

Terrarium - A bio-community of plants arranged so as to reproduce a real or idealized microcosm of nature.

Kind: Genus. Type. The Royal Horticultural Society considers that for horticultural exhibitions and for general gardening use two terms only are necessary to designate plant material: Kind and variety. This ruling has much to recommend it. Kinds are such separate genera as peaches, apples, plums; peas, carrots, cabbages; roses, chrysanthemums, phloxes. Different types of the same genus are also considered as kinds for exhibition purposes: as snap beans and lima beans, dark grapes and white grapes.

Their rule book says: "As a general rule, for the purposes of exhibiting, all natural genera are kinds, and all variations within a genus are varieties". They make some exceptions which do not apply especially to us.

Variety: Variety as generally used in flower shows is a horticultural term used to designate a named species, hybrid or other horticultural development of a genus. Example: Golden Queen Tomato. See also kind. Used botanically, it is a division of a species, as Campanula Carpatica alba. Here Campanula is the genus, telling us that it is one of the bellflowers. Carpatica is the species, indicating that this particular group comes from the Carpathian mountains and alba (meaning white) is the variety name.

SCALE OF POINTS

Cut Flowers, Wild Flowers, Baskets, Standards & Displays

Quality of blooms (including condition and value)	50 points
Arrangement	20 "
Number of Varieties	15 "
Properly named	15 "

Collections –

Quality (including condition and value)	45 points
Arrangement	25 "
Variety	30 "

Table Decoration –

Design	20 points
Relation	15 "
Color	20 "
Perfection	20 "
Condition	10 "
Distinction	15 "

Flower Arrangements –

Design	20 points
Color	10 "
Suitability	20 "
Distinction	15 "
Originality	10 "
Condition	25 "

SPECIAL AWARDS

1969 - William T. Merrifield Award
Bronze Medal "For an exhibit of outstanding merit or interest" at any of our regular scheduled exhibitions.

1970 – Paul Whitin Award
Silver Medal – Awarded to an exhibit which, in the opinion of the Judges, has special educational merit.

1977 – A. Lothrop Davenport Award
Silver Vase awarded to a Garden Display at the Spring Show for excellence in Charm and Atmosphere.

SPECIAL FUNDS

OF THE WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The following is a list of the Special Funds of the Worcester County Horticultural Society, the income of which is devoted to the purpose stated. The date prefixed to each indicates the year in which the fund was established.

1888 - **Francis Henshaw Dewey Fund — $1,000.00**
Income to be used for the purchase of books.

1898 - **Williams Eames Fund — $500.00**
Income to be used for prizes for the promotion of apple culture.

1906 - **Frederick A. Blake Fund — $1,000.00**
Income only to be used in providing Medals to be awarded to the originators of new varieties of Fruits or Flowers, preference always being given to residents of Worcester County.

In case that the Worcester County Horticultural Society does not find occasion to award Medals for New Fruits or Flowers, the said income may be used for special premiums for Orchids or other choice Greenhouse Plants and Flowers.

1907 - **Obadiah Brown Hadwen Fund — $1,000.00**

Unrestricted

1922 - **Edwin Draper Fund — $300.00**
Income to be used for prizes for Horticultural exhibitions held under the direction of said Society.

1924 **Miss Frances Clary Morse Fund — $500.00**
Income to be used for prizes for Flowers.

1939 - **The Miss Lucy M. Coulson Fund — $1,000.00**
Income to be used for prizes for Flowers.

1943 - **G. A. Bigelow Fund — $1,000.00**
Income to be used for meritorious garden grown exhibits of Roses.

1955 - **Chandler Bullock Fund — $1,000.00**
Income to be used for prizes for Small Fruits.

1957 - **Miss Elizabeth R. Bishop Fund — $500.00**
Income to be used for prizes for Lilies.

1958 - **Samuel T. and Anna N. W. Hobbs Fund — $5,000.00**
Income to be used for the promotion of children's interest in Horticulture.

1959 - Edward Winslow Lincoln Fund — $1,000.00
Unrestricted

1967 - National Association of Gardeners — $1,160.00
Worcester Chapter 80% of income to be used for scholarships.

1968 - Cook - Davey Fund — $600.00
Income to be used for new varieties of Fruits or for the Scholarship Fund.

1970 - Elouise S. Knight Memorial Fund — $1000.00
Income to be used to promote the interest of children in Horticulture, especially by means of Cash Awards for exhibits.

1970 — Gerald Fales Memorial Fund — $1,000.00 Income to be used for prizes for tomatoes, gladioli, roses or for general purposes of the society.

1970 — The Thayer Fund — $2,000.00
Income to be used for prizes to encourage young people in the raising of fruit, particularly apples and pears, or for scholarships.

1971 — Edward A. Bigelow Fund—$1,000.00
Income to be used for prizes for Lilies.

1971 — George B. Slater Fund — $470.00
Income to be used for Silver Medal to be awarded "For a distinguished exhibit" at any of our regular scheduled exhibitions.

1973 - Harvie Channin Educational Fund — $1,992.00
80% of income to be used to foster interest in Horticulture and Ecology among young people.

1976 - Mrs. Edward A. Bigelow Fund - $1,000.00
Income to be used for prized for Flower Arrangements.

1976 - Myron F. Converse Memorial Fund - $10,000.00
One half of the income to be used for the purchase of books and the other half to be used for Rose or other premiums for the Society's flower shows.

1972 - Sharfman's Award
Silver Bowl - Spring and Fall Shows for Table Setting Contest or other Meritorious Exhibit in Table Setting or Garden Club Exhibit. Winners name to be inscribed on large Silver Bowl retained at Hall, but which may be kept by anyone winning three times. A smaller bowl to winner each show.

SPRING FLOWER SHOW

Please refer to Exhibition Rules on pages 3 to 6

COMMITTEE: MRS. ROBERT C. MILTON, Chairman
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Thursday, March 10, 5-8 Members' Reception

OPENING:	**Friday, March 11**	**- 9 A.M. to 9 P.M.**
	Saturday, March 12	**- 9 A.M. to 9 P.M.**
	Sunday, March 13	**- 1 A.M. to 9 P.M.**
	Monday, March 14	**- 9 A.M. to 9 P.M.**
	Tuesday, March 15	**- 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.**

All articles for this exhibition must be in the hall and ready for inspection by the Judges by 11 A.M. Thursday.

SPECIAL ART EXHIBITION — by Public School children of the first 6 grades.

SPECIAL AWARDS

Two special awards will be given for Garden Displays at the discretion of the Judges. An exhibitor may receive *only* one of these special awards.

1. For excellence in design and consistency silver medal presented by Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Stoddard.

2. For excellence in suitability and quality of plant material silver medal presented by Mr. and Mrs. Milton P. Higgins.

3. The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted agricultural prize money not to exceed $2,100.00 of the premiums awarded on this list, Rosettes for outstanding exhibits and one Silver Tray.

This tray will be awarded to the "Most meritorious Exhibit", namely: that exhibit receiving the highest number of popular votes.

4. The Horticultural Club of Boston award for "Horticultural Perfection".

GARDEN DISPLAYS: No restrictions as to grower. "Your Back Yard"

I Exhibitors occupying stage or center of Main Hall approximately 400 square feet. $900.00 will be available each.

II Exhibitors occupying one of four corners of Main Hall or half of West Hall approximately 350 square feet. $800.00 will be available each.

III Exhibitors occupying smaller (front lobby) or larger (whole West Hall) areas will find awards available commensurate with the size of their garden. Plan should be presented for acceptance by the Exhibitions Committee at the time space is assigned.

Scale of points by which the above classes are to be judged.

Design and Consistency	30 points
Suitability & Quality	20 points
Charm and Atmosphere	15 points
Color Harmony	10 points
Seasonability	10 points
Originality of design	10 points
Correct Labeling	5 points
	100 points

Premiums will be awarded on a point system. If accessories are used, they will be judged under design and consistency to scale and under charm and atmosphere.

Prize money for Garden Displays, I, II, or III above is based approximately upon $2.25 per sq. ft. For example, a 400 foot display at $2.25 per qu. ft. makes a top prize of $900.00 provided the display is judged to receive 100 points. If a display is judged to receive 90 points, then the prize awarded for that display will be 90% of $900.00 or $810.00.

SPECIAL DISPLAYS:

IV - Plant Displays — Commercial — 50 square feet — $300.00
Notify office 1 week in advance.

V - Plant Display — Non-Commercial — 12 square feet — $75.00
Outstanding specimen plants not more than three
Notify office 1 week in advance

VI - Cut Flowers — $75.00

VII - Gesneriads
No. 1 Display - not over 25 sq. ft. - $50.00 may be used
No. 2 Three Specimen Plants $6.00 5.00 4.00 3.00 2.00
No. 3 Gloxinia Display - not over 25 sq. ft. - 50.00 may be used
Notify office 1 week in advance

VIII - Orchids — $100.00

IX - Fruit — $200.00

X - Spring Bulbs:

1. One 8-inch pot Daffodils, Hyacinths or Tulips $5.00 4.00 3.00 2.00
2. One pot other Spring Bulbs $5.00 4.00

XI - Children's Arrangements "A New Tomorrow"
$40.00 available. Highest prize $4.00

XII - Terrarium - Non-commercial - for competition
$100.00 available
Notify the office at least one week in advance.

XIII - Arrangements - using shrubs, evergreens, foliage and large leaves (no flowers). Native or tropical material permitted. Arrangement in container, urn or large vase suitable for pedestal. Prizes to be awarded. Notify the office one week in advance. Not for competition. For Florists only.

SAMUEL T. AND ANNA N. W. HOBBS FUND

A. Educational Exhibits:
No. 1 - Juniors under 14 years.
No. 2 - Seniors — 14 through 20
No. 3 - Club or group.

$175 may be used for prizes

XIV - Educational Exhibits — Adults $50.00 may be used for prizes.

Worcester County Garden Clubs Exhibit
"Your Greenhouse"
$300.00

Tea Room - Doris Clark

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WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 1977 and THURSDAY, MAY 5, 1977

2 P.M. - 6 P.M. **9 A.M. - 5 P.M.**

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AMERICAN DAFFODIL SOCIETY AWARDS

Each stem in an exhibit receiving an A.D.S. Award must score 90% or more by A.D.S. Scale of Points.

1. THE CAREY E. QUINN AWARD: Silver Medal in Class 97
2. THE ROBERTA C. WATROUS AWARD: Silver Medal in Class 104.
3. GOLD RIBBON: Best standard daffodil in any Horticultural Exhibit.
4. WHITE RIBBON: Best 3 stems standard daffodil Section B.
5. SILVER RIBBON: Most Blue Ribbons won in the Horticultural Classes.
6. PURPLE RIBBON: Best 5 stems in Classes 88, 89, 90, 91, 92 and 93.
7. RED, WHITE, BLUE RIBBON: Best in Class 94.
8. MAROON RIBBON: Best in Class 95.
9. GREEN RIBBON: Best in Class 96.
10. BRONZE RIBBON: Best collection in Class 98.
11. MINIATURE GOLD RIBBON: Best miniature in Section E.
12. MINIATURE WHITE RIBBON: Best 3 stems in Section E, Classes 101 and 102.
13. LAVENDER RIBBON: Best collection in Class 103.

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

HORTICULTURAL SECTION

Royal Horticultural Society System of Classification

An exhibitor may enter THREE different varieties in each SINGLE bloom class: only one entry is allowed in all other classes. See Rule 3.

SECTION A. SINGLE SPECIMEN.
SECTION B. THREE STEMS, one variety.
SECTION C. SINGLE SPECIMEN, limited to those growing not more than 25 named varieties, excluding miniatures.

	Section		
	A	B	C
DIVISION I: TRUMPET DAFFODILS	Class No.		
1a - yellow perianth, deep yellow trumpet	1	30	59
1a - yellow perianth, pale yellow trumpet	2	31	60
1b - white perianth, yellow trumpet	3	32	61
1b - white perianth, pink trumpet	4	33	62
1c - white perianth, white trumpet	5	34	63
1d - any color combination not falling into (a), (b), or (c). (Includes reverse bicolors)	6	35	64
DIVISION II: LARGE CUPPED DAFFODILS			
2a - yellow perianth, yellow cup	7	36	65
2a - yellow perianth, orange or red cup	8	37	66
2b - white perianth, yellow cup	9	38	67
2b - white perianth, orange or red cup	10	39	68
2b - white perianth, pink cup	11	40	69
2c - white perianth, white cup	12	41	70
2d - Any color combination not falling into (a), (b) or (c). (Includes reverse bicolors)	13	42	71
DIVISION III: SMALL CUPPED DAFFODILS			
3a - yellow perianth, colored cup	14	43	72
3b - white perianth, yellow, pink or rimmed cup	15	44	73
3b - white perianth, orange or red cup	16	45	74
3c - white perianth, white cup	17	46	75
DIVISION IV: DOUBLE DAFFODILS			
4 - one bloom to a stem, any variety	18	47	76
4 - two or more blooms to a stem, any variety	19	48	77
DIVISION V: TRIANDRUS DAFFODILS			
5a - long cups	20	49	78
5b - short cups	21	50	79
DIVISION VI: CYCLAMINEUS DAFFODILS			
6a - long cups	22	51	80
6b - short cups	23	52	81
DIVISION VII: JONQUILLA DAFFODILS			
7a - long cups	24	53	82
7b - short cups	25	54	83

DIVISION VIII: TAZETTA DAFFODILS

8 - any variety	26	55	84

DIVISION IX: POETICUS DAFFODILS

9 -	27	56	85

DIVISION X: SPECIES' WILD FORMS and HYBRIDS

10 - other than those on approved list of miniatures	28	57	86

DIVISION XI: SPLIT-CORONA DAFFODILS

11 -	29	58	87

SECTION D. COLLECTIONS

All collections of 5 or more stems must be exhibited with each variety in a separate container — each variety correctly labeled.

Class 88: Collection of 5 different varieties, yellow perianth, any division or divisions.

Class 89: Collection of 5 different varieties, white perianth, colored cup, any division or divisions.

Class 90: Collection of 5 different all white varieties, any division or divisions.

Class 91: Collection of 5 different pink varieties, any division or divisions.

Class 92: Collection of 5 double varieties.

Class 93: Collection of 5 varieties from Divisions V, VI, and/or VII.

Entries in the above 6 classes are eligible for A.D.S. PURPLE RIBBON.

Class 94: Collection of 5 different varieties of American breeding or origin from any division. Eligible for A.D.S. RED, WHITE, BLUE RIBBON.

Class 95: Collection of 5 different reverse bicolor varieties from any division or divisions. Eligible for A.D.S. MAROON RIBBON.

Class 96: Collection of 12 different varieties representing not less than four (4) R.H.S. Divisions. Eligible for the A.D.S. GREEN RIBBON.

THE CAREY E. QUINN SILVER MEDAL AWARD

Class 97: Collection of 24 varieties, one stem of each representing not fewer than five (5) R.H.S. Divisions. Each bloom must be correctly labeled and exhibited in a separate container. A list must accompany the entry. OPEN ONLY TO MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN DAFFODIL SOCIETY. Medal may be won only once; thereafter, Ribbon only. Registration required. Call Mrs. Nason, 752-4274.

BRONZE RIBBON: REGIONAL SHOW AWARD

Class 98: Collection of 3 stems each of 12 different varieties from at least three (3) R.H.S. Divisions to be exhibited in 12 separate containers, each properly labeled. Register with Mrs. Nason, 752-4274.

SECTION E. MINIATURE DAFFODILS

To include varieties on the Approved List of Miniatures and seedlings (miniature candidates). Seedlings will be placed in divisions to which the originator has decided they properly belong. Specimens in Classes 99, 100, 101, 102, 103 and 104 are eligible for the A.D.S. MINIATURE GOLD RIBBON.

Class: 99: Varieties of garden origin - single specimen
Class 100: Species (Division X) - single specimen
Class 101: Three stems of one variety - garden origin
Class 102: Three stems of one variety - species (Div. X)
Entries in the above two classes are eligible for the A.D.S. MINIATURE WHITE RIBBON.

Each exhibitor may enter 3 different named varieties in Classes 99, 100
Class 103: Collection of 5 different named varieties, individually labeled and exhibited in separate containers.
Eligible for A.D.S. LAVENDAR RIBBON.

THE ROBERTA C. WATROUS SILVER MEDAL AWARD - Silver Medal or Ribbon
Class 104: Collection of twelve different miniature blooms, one stem of each, from at least three divisions. Each specimen must be correctly labeled and exhibited in a separate container.
OPEN ONLY TO MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN DAFFODIL SOCIETY. May be won only once - thereafter, ribbon only. Registration required. Call Mrs. Nason, 752-4274.

SPECIAL AWARD - Best White Daffodil — Single Stem

RULES — HORTICULTURAL SECTION

1. Classes are open to everyone except for Class 97 and Class 104.
2. Entries will be accepted at Horticultural Hall on May 4 from 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. The Hall will be open the evening before until 9 p.m.
3. All daffodils in the Horticultural Section must be grown in the open by the exhibitor and shown without foliage. (Miniatures may be grown in protected areas.) Three different varieties may be entered by each exhibitor in the single bloom classes; only one entry in all other classes.
4. Exhibits which are not named or are incorrectly named will be disqualified. However, the originator or other persons may show blooms of standard seedlings in classes for "named varieties". Blooms of seedlings (miniature candidates) for the Miniature List may be shown in classes with those miniatures named in the most recent A.D.S. Approved List. All seedlings must be identified by a number designation assigned by the originator. If the exhibitor is not the originator, the name of the originator must be included as part of the identification. The Classification Committee will help clarify divisions and classes but not variety names.
5. Each exhibit must be tagged by the exhibitor with complete information as required on all sections of the tag. Tags may be acquired by mail in advance of the Show by writing the Worcester County Horticultural Society.
6. Miniature daffodils, as named in the most recent A.D.S. Approved List of Miniatures may be shown only in classes for miniatures and seedlings (miniature candidates) for the Miniature List.
7. All collections of five or more stems must be exhibited in separate containers. Each variety must be correctly labeled.
8. Containers will be furnished by the Committee. Please bring your own cotton.
9. Judging will be done according to A.D.S. standards. Only one first, one second and one third award may be given in each class. Honorable mention awards may also be given..Any award may be withheld at the discretion of the judges and their decision shall be final except as stated in number 11.
10. The Committee reserves the right to remove any exhibit in poor condition.
11. Correct classification and labeling shall be the responsibility of the exhibitor. No label may be changed, specimens added, removed, or substituted after judging has begun or after awards have been placed. If an error is discovered after an ADS award, or other special award or any ribbon has been placed by the judges, this shall be forfeited by the exhibitor.

AMERICAN DAFFODIL SOCIETY SCALE OF POINTS

Condition	20
Form	20
Substance or Texture	15
Color	15
Stem	10
Pose	10
Size	10
Total	100

For miniatures the judges will substitute "form and grace" for form in the above Scale of Points. Up to 5 points may be deducted for lack of uniformity in judging 3 stems of one variety.

SUGGESTIONS FOR EXHIBITORS

1. Cut blooms with a sharp knife mid-afternoon of day before show. Red cups should be picked as soon as they open to prevent fading. Stems may be labeled with ballpoint pen.
2. Place stems in tepid water (80°) for half an hour, then in two inches of cool water.
3. Store overnight in a dark, cool place, free of draughts. Don't crowd flowers in container.
4. Blooms will turn toward light and poor pose may be improved by placing them above or below the light.
5. Early flowers may be held in water for ten days in a refrigerator (not frostproof) at about 40 . Trumpets must be fully opened when cut; cups will open if cut when the color shows.
6. To bring on immature flowers, cut when color shows and place in two inches of warm water in a warm room.
7. Remove dirt and loose pollen and smooth petals with a soft brush. Do not remove sheath.
8. Arrange three specimens in a triangle with the tallest in center. Blooms should not touch. Wedge with cotton.

This schedule has been approved by the American Daffodil Society, Inc. and follows the Royal Horticultural Society System of Classification.

SCHEDULE FOR ARRANGEMENT CLASSES
DAFFODIL SHOW
1977

FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

Mrs. Laura L. McKee, *Chairman*
Mrs. Donald E. Weeks, *Co-chairman*

Show staged by various Garden Clubs affiliated with Worcester County Horticultural Society.

Ribbon awards only

Theme:

1. Daffodils should appear in all arrangements.

2. No accessories permitted other than a base.

3. Exhibitors are requested to list the names of plant material used - only fresh material permitted.

4. All exhibits must be ready for judging by 11 A.M. on Wednesday, May 4th. Horticultural Hall will be open at 8 A.M.

5. Exhibitors are expected to maintain their exhibits in good condition throughout the show.

6. All arrangements must be removed between 5 and 6 P.M. on Thursday, May 5th.

ROSE EXHIBITION

Please refer to Exhibition Rules on pages 3 to 6.

COMMITTEE: DR. & MRS. H. LEE WYLIE, Co-Chairmen
MR. & MRS. CARROLL AKELEY, Hon. Chairmen
MR. EDWARD CLIFFORD
MR. BARTOW KELLY
MR. & MRS. ARTHUR J. O'MARA

Thursday, June 23 — 2:00 to 8:00 P.M.

All articles for this exhibition must be in the hall and ready for inspection by the Judges by 12:30 o'clock.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted Agricultural Prize Money not to exceed $250.00 of the premiums awarded on this list.

Roses (See Special Rule 4)

No. 100 -	Twelve blooms of named varieties of Hybrid Perpetual roses, outdoor culture	$4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00
No. 101 -	Six blooms of named varieties of Hybrid Perpetual roses, outdoor culture	$3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 102 -	Twelve blooms of named varieties of Hybrid Tea roses, outdoor culture	$4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00

Special Prizes

MISS FRANCES C. MORSE FUND

A. Six blooms of named varieties of H. T. roses, outdoor culture. $12.00 may be used for prizes.

Prize Rose — not confined to exhibitors of Worcester County.

Ribbons will be awarded — First, Second, Third

No. 103-H. T., red and red blend, one bloom

No. 104-H. T., pink and pink blend, one bloom

No. 105-H. T., yellow and yellow blend, one bloom

No. 106-H. T., white, one bloom

No. 107-H. T., orange, one bloom

No. 108-H. T., any other color

No. 109-Floribundas, red and red blend, one main stem

No. 110-Floribundas, pink and pink blend, one main stem

No. 111-Floribundas, yellow and yellow blend, main stem

No. 112-Floribundas, orange and orange blend, one main stem

No. 113-Floribundas, white, one main stem

No. 113a-Floribundas, any other color

No. 114-Shrub Roses, any named variety

No. 115-Grandiflora, red and red blend, one main stem

No. 116-Grandiflora, pink and pink blend, one main stem

No. 117-Grandiflora, yellow and yellow blend, one main stem

No. 118-Grandiflora, orange and orange blend, one main stem

No. 119-Grandiflora, white, one main stem

No. 120-Old Roses, one stem

No. 121-Miniatures, one stem

No. 122-Any other species or variety

No. 123-Best seedling

Best Roses in the Show — King, Queen & Princess, Special Recognition

The "Prize Rose" classes will be selected from all classes in show except Displays - the rose must be a named variety, the minimum length of stem shall be at least six inches and the rose offered for exhibition shall be from a bush grown by the exhibitor for at least two months previous to the date of exhibition.

MYRON F. CONVERSE MEMORIAL FUND

B. H.T. (Introductions within the last five years)
$10.00 may be used and Blue Ribbon

C. Floribundas (Introductions within the last five years)
$10.00 may be used and Blue Ribbon
— Use Jackson-Perkins and Conard-Pyle Catalogues —

D. Collection of cut roses, at least six varieties
$75.00 may be used for prizes

E. Vase of Floribundas $3.00 2.00 1.00

F. Vase of Grandifloras $3.00 2.00 1.00

G. Vase H.P. roses, not to exceed 10 blooms
$3.00 2.00 1.00

H. Vase H.T. roses, not exceeding 10 blooms
$3.00 2.00 1.00

I. Display of cut climbing roses
$25.00 may be used for prizes

J. Basket of roses $4.00 3.50 3.00 2.00

K. Educational exhibit to cover any phase of Rose growing, hybridizing, culture or classification.
$25.00 may be used for prizes

G. A. BIGELOW FUND

Flower Arrangement - "Simplicity"

L. Roses preferred but other flowers, may be used - no restrictions as to grower. $40.00 may be used. Highest prize $5.00.

Delphinium —

No. 134-One Vase, not more than 3 spikes. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Iris —

No. 135-Display $50.00 Available for prizes.

Peonies –

No. 136 - Vase, 3 or more stalks 4.00 3.00 2.00

Lilies –

No. 137-Vase 4.00 3.00 2.00

Aquilegia –

No. 138-Bowl or Vase 2.50 2.00 1.50

Foxglove –

No. 139-Vase, not more than 3 spikes 4.00 3.00 2.00

Sweet William –

No. 140-Vase 2.50 2.00 1.50

Pinks (Dianthus) –

No. 141-Vase 2.50 2.00 1.50

Any other Perennial –

No. 142-Vase. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Biennial –

No. 143 - Vase $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Amateur Class –

No. 144-Single stalk or specimen plant, grown by the exhibitor – Ribbons awarded.

Wild Flowers, named –

No. 145-Ten vases, no duplicates 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

Potted Plants –

No. 146 - Display of container grown plants. $30.00 available for prizes.

Herbs –

No. 147 - Display, $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Special Prizes

OBADIAH BROWN HADWEN FUND

Hardy Cultivated Shrubs and Flowers (Annuals and Perennials)

M. Display of outdoor varieties 24 square feet 10.00 8.00 6.00 5.00 3.00

CHANDLER BULLOCK FUND

Strawberry, twenty-four berries –

N.	Premier	3.00	2.50	2.00
O.	Sparkle	3.00	2.50	2.00
P.	Robinson	3.00	2.50	2.00
Q.	Catskill	3.00	2.50	2.00
R.	Jersey Belle	3.00	2.50	2.00
S.	Vesper	3.00	2.50	2.00
T.	Midland	3.00	2.50	2.00

No. 148-Any other varieties. $10.00 may be used.

No. 149-Four pint baskets of strawberries, any variety 4.00 3.50 3.00

No. 150-Display not over 12 square feet. $15.00 may be used.

Cherry, one quart —

No. 151-Any named sweet variety. $5.00 may be used.

No. 152-Any named sour variety. $5.00 may be used.

Fruit —

No. 153 - Any other variety. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

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COOK-DAVEY FUND

New Variety of Any Fruit (i.e., strawberry, cherries, etc.)

U. Recent Introduction. Not scheduled 4.00 3.00

Asparagus, 2 bunches - 12 specimens

No. 154 - Any named variety 3.00 2.50 2.00 1.50

Beets —

No. 155 - Two bunches, 6 per bunch 2.50 2.00

Cabbage, Three specimens —

No. 156 - Golden Acre 2.50 2.00 1.50

No. 157 - Any other variety 2.50 2.00 1.50

Chard —

No. 158 - Six plants 2.00 1.50 1.00

Lettuce, three heads, named

No. 159 - Iceberg 2.50 2.00 1.50

No. 160 - Any other variety or loose leaf 2.50 2.00 1.50

Peas, one-half peck —

No. 161 - Sparkle 2.50 2.00

No. 162 - Any other variety 2.50 2.00

No. 163 - Display at least four named varieties $10.00 may be used for prizes

Radishes, 2 bunches, 6 per bunch —

No. 164 - Any named variety 2.00 1.50 1.00

Rhubarb, 12 stalks —

No. 165 - Any named variety 2.00 1.50 1.00

Scallions, 2 bunches, 6 per bunch —

No. 166 - Any named variety 2.00 1.50 1.00

New Vegetables —

No. 167 - Recent Introductions. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Any other Vegetable — (not otherwise listed)

No. 168 - $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Display of Vegetables —

No. 169 - Commercial - Not to exceed 24 sq. ft. $25.00 may be used for prizes

No. 170 - Non-Commercial - Not to exceed 18 sq. ft. $25.00 may be used for prizes

LILIES EXHIBITION

In co-operation with New England Regional Lily Group

COMMITTEE: MR. & MRS. MERRITT CUTTING, Co-Chairmen
ARMAND A. BENOIT
PETER JOHNSON
EMERSON ROBARGE
MRS. VIRGINIA HOWIE
EDWARD RICHARDSON

Please refer to Exhibition Rules on pages 3 to 6.

Friday, July 8 - 2:00 to 8:00 P.M.
Saturday, July 9 - 9:00 to 5:00 P.M.

All articles for this exhibition must be in the hall and ready for inspection by the Judges by 12:30 o'clock.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted Agricultural Prize Money not to exceed $400.00 of the premiums awarded on this list.

LILIUM

CLASS A – SINGLE STEMS OF NAMED HYBRID CLONES.

Division I – Asiatic Hybrids

Hybrids and cultivars derived from such species as L. amabile, L. bulbiferum, L. cernuum, L. concolor, L. dauricum, L. davidii, L. leichtlinii, L. pumilum and L. tigrinum.

a. Upright flowers – (as Enchantment – Rosabelle)
b. Outward facing (as Corsage - Connecticut Lass)
c. Pendant (as Talisman - Connecticut Yankee)

Division II – Martagon Hybrids (as Brocade - Port Wine)

Division III– American Hybrids (as Constance - Shuksan)

Division IV– Trumpet Hybrids

a. Trumpet form – outward facing
b. Trumpet form – pendant
c. Bowl shaped
d. Sunburst

Divisions may be further subdivided at the discretion of the Judges to provide for color variations i.e.

1. White
2. Pink
3. Yellow
4. Green
5. Bicolor
6. Apricot
7. Purple

Division V – Aurelians (Sunburst or Corona types)

Division VI– Oriental Hybrids

Contains hybrid cultivars or hybrids of L. auratum, L. japonicum, L. rubellum, L. speciosum, and to include any of their crosses with L. henryii.

a. Bowl shaped and flat faced (as Crimson Dream - Imperial Crimson)
b. Recurved (Jamboree - Black Beauty)

CLASS B – UNNAMED SEEDLINGS

Not necessarily grown from seed by the exhibitor.
Divisions I thru VI as defined in CLASS A.

CLASS C – UNNAMED SEEDLINGS GROWN FROM SEED BY THE EXHIBITOR

Divisions I thru VI as defined in CLASS A.

CLASS D – ALL TRUE SPECIES AND THEIR BOTANICAL FORMS.

Each variety to be judged separately.

CLASS E – DISPLAY – COMMERCIAL
No other flowers to be used. $75.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office 4 days in advance.

CLASS F – DISPLAY – NON-COMMERCIAL
No other flowers to be used. $75.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office 4 days in advance.

CLASS G – EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY

$50.00 may be used for prizes.

CLASS H – Single stems of hardy lilies grown by 4-H youth in Worcester County
4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

Competitive classes are open to all providing the lilies are grown by, or under the control of, the exhibitor.

First, second and third Prize Ribbons will be awarded by the New England Regional Lily Group in each Division.

EDWARD A. BIGELOW

M. **Basket of Lilies**
Other foliage permitted $25.00 may be used for prizes

N. **Vase of Lilies**
Other foliage permitted $5.00 4.00 3.50 3.00 2.50

SPECIAL AWARDS

VIRGINIA HOWIE AWARD –
Best stalk grown by youth - Pewter Award

MISS ELIZABETH R. BISHOP AWARD –
Best unnamed seedling spike from Class C. Bronze Medal.

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY AWARD –
For best spike of a named clone. To be chosen from Class A entries.

THE PAULINE M. & ARMAND A. BENOIT AWARD
Pewter Bowl for best display, non-commercial.
Name to be inscribed on bowl.
Bowl to be left at Society.

Flower Arrangement - "Symphony Pastel"

No. 200 – True lilies preferred, but other flowers may be used. No restriction as to grower. $40.00 may be used for prizes. Highest prize – $5.00.

Delphinium —

No. 203 - Vase. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Annual, one kind —

No. 204 - Vase. No more than five stalks. Use own foliage. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Perennial, one kind — (Other than Lilies) —

No. 205 - Vase. No more than five stalks. Use own foliage. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Biennial, one kind —

No. 206 - Vase
$20.00 may be used for prizes.

Non-Hardy Bulbs or Tubers —

No. 207 - Vase. $5.00 may be used.

Hardy Cultivated Shrubs and Flowers (Annuals and Perennials)

No. 208 - Display 24 square feet	10.00	8.00	6.00	5.00	3.00
No. 209 - Display 12 square feet	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.50	1.50

Begonia, tuberous rooted —

No. 210 - Eight vases			6.00	5.00	4.00

Herbs —

No. 211 - Display. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Amateur Class —

No. 212 - Single stalk or specimen plant, grown by the exhibitor — Ribbons awarded.

Potted Plants —

No. 213 - Display of container-grown plants. $30.00 available for prizes.

MYRON F. CONVERSE MEMORIAL FUND

Roses - Not over 12 blooms - vase (see special rule 4)

O.	Floribundas	$15.00 may be used
P.	Grandifloras	$15.00 may be used
Q.	Hybrid Teas	$15.00 may be used
R.	Any Other	$15.00 may be used

Hemerocallis -

No. 214 - Collection of 6 named varieties. $6.00 $5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00

Sweet Peas -

No. 215 - Vase of mixed varieties. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Cherry, one quart —

No. 218 - Any named variety. $5.00 may be used.

Raspberry, Black Cap one pint —

No. 219 - Any named variety			2.50	2.00	1.50

Raspberry, one pint —

No. 220 -	Early varieties, named. $5.00 may be used.			
No. 221 -	Latham	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 222 -	Taylor	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 223 -	Any other red variety	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 224 -	New varieties. $5.00 may be used.			
No. 225 -	Display not over 12 square feet. $10.00 may be used.			

Currants, twelve bunches -

No. 226 - Any named variety. $10.00 may be used.

CHANDLER BULLOCK FUND

Blueberry, pint box -

S. -	Cultivated, named.	$3.00	$2.50	$2.00	$1.50
T. -	Cultivated, new varieties.	$7.50 may be used.			
U. -	Display - 3 varieties.	$25.00 may be used.			
V. -	Wild, one quart	$2.00	$1.50	$1.00	

Gooseberry, one quart —

No. 227 - Any named varieties. $10.00

No. 228 - New varieties. $5.00

Blackberry, one quart —

No. 229 - Any variety. $5.00

Any other Fruit —

No. 230 - $5.00 may be used for prizes.

Display of Small Fruit, two or more varieties —

No. 231 - $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Beets, twelve specimens —

No. 232 -	Any named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Carrots, two bunches - six in each —

No. 233 -	Any named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Beans, Snap, one-half peck —

No. 234 -	Green Pod	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 235 -	Wax	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Cucumber, for pickles

No. 236 -	One-half peck	2.50	2.00	1.50

Cucumber, three specimens —

No. 237 -	Hybrid type, named	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 238 -	Standard type, named	2.50	2.00	1.50

Cabbage, three specimens —

No. 239 -	Any variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Lettuce, three heads —

No. 240 - Iceberg	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 241 - Any other variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Summer Squash, three specimens —

No. 242 - Yellow	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 243 - Green	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 244 - Any other type		2.00	1.50	1.00

Swiss Chard - 10 stalks

No. 245 - Any variety	2.00	1.50	1.00

Peas, one-half peck —

No. 246 - Telephone type	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 247 - Any other variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Radishes - Two bunches, 6 per bunch

No. 248 - Any named variety	2.00	1.50	1.00

Tomatoes, twelve Specimens —

No. 249 - Any named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Spinach, one-half peck —

No. 250 - New Zealand	2.00	1.50	1.00

New Vegetable - variety

No. 251 - Recent introductions. $10.00 may be used.

Any other Vegetable — Not otherwise listed

No. 252 - $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Display of Vegetables -

No. 253 - Commercial - Not to exceed 24 sq. ft. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 254 - Non-Commercial - Not to exceed 18 sq. ft. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Market Basket of Vegetables -

No. 255 - $30.00 may be used. Highest prize not over $3.50.

HEMEROCALLIS (DAYLILIES) EXHIBITION

in cooperation with

REGION 4 OF THE AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

Please refer to Exhibition Rules on pages 3 to 6.

COMMITTEE: MR. GEORGE H. PRIDE, Chairman
MRS. IRVING FRAIM
MR. & MRS. WAINO HIMOTTU
MR. & MRS. ALVAR MELIN
MR. LANCE MITCHELL
MRS. JAMES H. SHEPHERD
MR. & MRS. ROD SPURR
MRS. LOUIS PRUNIER

Saturday, July 23 - 1 to 6:00 P.M.

All articles for this exhibition must be in the hall and ready for inspeciton by the Judges by 12:00 o'clock.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted Agricultural Prize Money not to exceed $350.00 for the premiums awarded on this list.

Hemerocallis (Daylilies)

No. 300 - Display - Commercial. $75.00 may be used for prizes

No. 301 - Display - Non-commercial. $75.00 may be used for prizes.

Note: In the two types of displays above any decorative foliage may be used but no flowers other than daylilies should be included. Emphasis in these displays should be on a wide variety of colors and types of daylilies. Unregistered seedlings should not dominate the display.

No. 302 - Collection of six named varieties. - 6 vases.
$6.00 $5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00

No. 303 - Collection of six numbered seedlings. Not necessarily the exhibitors own.
$6.00 $5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00

Note: In the displays and collections only one entry per exhibitor in each class will be allowed.

Specimen color classes, one spike entry. Must be named and introduced.

More than one entry may be made in these classes, providing each entry is a different variety, and more than one premium may be awarded to the same exhibitor. Scape not to exceed 36".
Only hemerocallis foliage should be used with the following entries.

Large Flowered Section (Flower over 4½ inches in diameter)
"Awards," First and Second

No. 304 - Near White

No. 305 - Light Yellow and Lemon

No. 306 - Medium Yellow

No. 307 - Deep Yellow or Gold

No. 308 - Orange
No. 309 - Polychrome blends light
No. 310 - Polychrome blends dark
No. 311 - Bicolor
No. 312 - Banded or eyed
No. 313 - Pale Pink
No. 314 - Medium Pink
No. 315 - Peach Pink
No. 316 - Creamy Melon
No. 317 - Cantaloupe Melon
No. 318 - Pinkish Melon
No. 319 - Rose
No. 320 - Bright Red
No. 321 - Orange Red
No. 322 - Dark Red
No. 323 - Lavender Shades
No. 324 - Purple Shades

Small flowered (Flower between 3 inches and 4½ inches)
No. 325 - Yellow, any shade
No. 326 - Any other color

Miniature (Flower less than 3 inches)
No. 327 - Yellow, any shade
No. 328 - Any other color

Dwarf (Normal Growth under 24 inches)
No. 329 - Any color

Spider Flowered (Exaggerated long thin flower parts) —
No. 330 - Any color

Double flowered (6 or more petaloids should be present) —
No. 331 - Yellow, any shade
No. 332 - Any other color

Specials -
National Popularity Poll Winner
No. 333 - Special Award Rosette of American Hemerocallis Society

Regional Popularity Poll Winner
No. 334 - If different from national winner. Same award as for National winner.

Seedling -
No. 335 - One entire scape, severed at base. Must be exhibitor's own hybrid. To be judged for Worcester County Horticultural Society's Rosette and Special Award Rosette of American Hemerocallis Society. More than one award may be given in this class.

Best Registered Introduced Class -

No. 336 - To be selected by judges from classes 304 to 334 and 341 to 357. To be judged for Worcester County Horticultural Society Rosette and Special Award Rosette of American Hemerocallis Society.

Best Registered Unintroduced Class -

No. 337 - Single scape not to exceed 36". To be judged for Worcester County Horticultural Society Rosette and Special Award Rosette of American Hemerocallis Society.

American Hemerocallis Society Achievement Award -

No. 338 - Special A.H.S. Rosette awarded at show - Medal awarded later in year after all rules about registration of winning variety have been complied with.

At least 3 scapes severed at the base of an undisseminated variety which may or may not be registered and is at least 3 years old. This medal is offered to the originator, amateur or professional whether shown by originator or someone else. The award shall be made only to a new variety of adequate merit and distinctiveness as compared with existing varieties.

Educational Exhibit -

No. 339 - To cover any phase of Hemerocallis growing, hybridizing, culture or classification. $50.00 may be used for prizes.

SPECIAL AWARDS - financed by the New England Area of Region 4 of the American Hemerocallis Society.

Single Floret -

No. 340 - One floret to container. This class is for very new varieties introduced in 1974, 1975, 1976 and 1977, where exhibitor would not want to wish to cut the complete stalk. Exhibitor may make as many entries as wished proving each is a different cultivar.

$5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00 $1.00

No. 341 - New England Daylily Award - for the finest specimen of a daylily originated in New England. It must be a named and introduced variety. The entry does not have to necessarily be made by the hybridizer. The award goes to the exhibitor. Any number of entries may be made in this class by the same exhibitor as long as each entry shown is a different cultivar. One award, $25.00.

Sweepstake Winners - To the exhibitor with the largest number of first prizes in the specimen color classes, one spike entry section. First prize, $25.00; runner-up, $15.00.

YOUTH SECTION (Age 18 years or younger)
(Rules same as for adults)
Exhibitors must have a daylily garden of their own separate from the family garden. Specimen color classes, one spike entry. Must be named and introduced.

Large Flowered Section -

No. 342 - Yellow, any shade
No. 343 - Orange
No. 344 - Polychrome, light or dark
No. 345 - Bicolor
No. 346 - Eyed or banded
No. 347 - Pink, any shade
No. 348 - Melon
No. 349 - Rose
No. 350 - Red
No. 351 - Lavender
No. 352 - Purple

Small Flowered

No. 353 - Any color

Miniature

No. 354 - Any color

Dwarf

No. 355 - Any color

Spider Flowered

No. 356 - Any color

Double Flowered

No. 357 - Any color

A Blue Ribbon and a $2.00 award for a First Prize and a Red Ribbon and a $1.00 award for a Second Prize will be awarded where the exhibits merit this.

Sweepstake Winner in the Youth Section will be awarded a daylily valued at $25.00 or more. Participation in the Youth Seciton does not prevent showing in other classes. They are in competition for the "Best Registered Introduced", also.

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G. A. BIGELOW FUND

Roses —

R — Vase - not over 12 blooms (See Rule 8). $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Petunias —

No. 404 - Single, plain-edged, 5 vases, 3 stalks each. 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.50 1.00

No. 405 - Single, fringed or ruffled, 5 vases, 3 stalks each. 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.50 1.00

No. 406 - Double, 5 vases, 3 stalks each. 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

Lilies —

No. 407 — Vase. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Zinnias —

No. 408 - Display of large flowered, 5 vases, 5 stalks each. 5.00 4.00 3.00 2.00

No. 409 - Display of Pompons (small flowered), 5 vases, 7 stalks each. 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

No. 410 - Vase of Mexican. No less than 12 blooms. 3.00 2.00 1.00

Marigolds —

No. 411 - Display, can be mixed types and varieties, 5 vases, 5 stalks each. 5.00 4.00 3.00 2.00

Snapdragon —

No. 412 - Vase, not more than 5 spikes. 2.00 1.50 1.00

Salpiglosis —

No. 413 - Vase, 5 stalks 2.00 1.50 1.00

Calendula —

No. 414 - Vase, 5 stalks 2.00 1.50 1.00

Annual - one Kind — (Not otherwise listed in this show) —

No. 415 - Vase. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Phlox —

No. 416 - Vase, 5 stalks 2.00 1.50 1.00

Shasta Daisies —

No. 417 - Vase, 5 stalks 2.00 1.50 1.00

Perennial - one Kind — (Not otherwise listed in this show) —

No. 418 - Vase. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Biennial — One kind

No. 419 - Vase. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

New Flowers —

No. 420 - Recent introductions. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Amateur Class –

No. 421 - Single stalk or specimen plant, grown by the exhibitor – Ribbons awarded.

Wild Flowers, named –

No. 422 - 10 Vases – no duplicates. 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00
(See Special Rules of Wild Flowers on Page 5)

Potted Plants –

No. 423 - Display of container grown plants other than Tuberous Rooted Begonias $50.00 available for prizes.

Herbs –

No. 424 - Display, $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Hanging Baskets –

No. 425 – Foliage Plants – $20.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 426 – Flowering Plants – $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Begonia, tuberous rooted –

No. 427 Display of Potted Plants. $20.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office four days in advance.

Begonia, Tuberous Rooted - Cut Flowers

No. 428 - Display. Use own foliage. Notify the Secretary two days in advance. 5.00 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

Flower Arrangement - "Symphony in Yellow"

No. 429 - No restriction as to grower. $40.00 may be used. Highest prize – $5.00

Cherry, one quart –

No. 430 - Any named variety. $5.00 may be used.

Raspberry, one pint –

No. 431 - Latham $2.50 2.00 1.50
No. 432 - Taylor $2.50 2.00 1.50
No. 433 - Any other red variety $2.50 2.00 1.50
No. 434 - New Varieties $5.00 may be used
No. 435 - Display not over 12 sq. ft. $10.00 may be used.

Currants, twelve bunches -

No. 436 - Any named variety. $10.00 may be used.

Gooseberry, one quart –

No. 437 - Any named varieties. $10.00.

Blackberry, one quart –

No. 438 - Any variety. $5.00.

Any New varieties of Small Fruit –

No. 439 - Recent introductions. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Display of Small Fruits, two or more varieties –

No. 440 - $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Apple, twelve specimens -

No. 441 - Yellow Transparent 3.00 2.50
No. 442 - Lodi 3.00 2.50
No. 443 - Red Astrachan 3.00 2.50
No. 444 - New varieties. $7.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 445 - Other early varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Plum, twelve specimens -

No. 446 - Early varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Peach, twelve specimens, named -

No. 447 - Any early white varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 448 - Any early yellow varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Fruit Class for Amateurs —

No. 449 - 6 specimens of a tree fruit. Same variety. $10.00 may be used.

CHANDLER BULLOCK FUND

Blueberry, one pint —

S. — Cultivated, named	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
T. — New varieties	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
U. — Wild, one quart		2.00	1.50	1.00

Bean, Shell, one-half peck —

No. 450 - Dwarf, any variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Bean, one-half peck —

No. 451 - Kentucky Wonder	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 452 - Green Pod	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 453 - Wax	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Beets, twelve specimens —

No. 454 - Any named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Broccoli — Three specimens

No. 455 - Any named variety	$2.50	2.00	1.50

Cabbage — 3 specimens

No. 456 - Any named variety	$2.50	2.00	1.50

Carrots, two bunches, six in each —

No. 457 - Any named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Cucumber, for pickles —

No. 458 - One-half peck	2.50	2.00	1.50

Cucumber — 3 specimens —

No. 459 - Any named standard variety	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 460 - Any named Hybrid variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Sweet Corn, 12 ears —

No. 461 - Any named yellow variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 462 - Any named white variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 463 - Any named bicolor variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Summer Squash — 3 specimens —

No. 464 - Hybrid variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 465 - Green variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 466 - Any other type	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Lettuce — 3 heads —

No. 467 - Any variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Parsley — 2 bunches

No. 468 — Any variety	2.00	1.50	1.00

Potato, twelve specimens —

No. 469 — Any early variety. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Tomatoes, twelve specimens —

No. 470 — Any named standard variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 471 — Any named Hybrid variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

New Vegetable - variety

No. 472 — Recent introductions. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Any other Vegetable — (not otherwise listed)

No. 473 — $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Market Basket

No. 474 — Baskets furnished by Society. $30.00 may be used for prizes.

Display of Vegetables -

No. 475 - Commercial - Not to exceed 24 sq. ft. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 476 - Non-Commercial - Not to exceed 18 sq. ft. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Mushroom, native -

No. 477 - Collection, named edible varieties. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 478 - Collection, named non-edible varieties. $25.00 may be used.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S EXHIBITION

See separate Schedule

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S MID-SUMMER FLOWER SHOW
& Gladiolus Exhibition

Please refer to Exhibition Rules on pages 3 to 6.

COMMITTEE: MRS. LOUIS PRUNIER, Co-Chairman
MRS. JAMES MAHONEY, Co-Chairman
ISABELLA CHOATE
JAMES McLAIN
ERNEST MINOR
HEIDI HUNDAHL
RICHARD JORDAN

Thursday, August 18, 1977

This exhibition will be open to the public from 2 to 8:00 P.M.

All articles for this exhibition must be in the hall and ready for inspection by the Judges by 12:30 o'clock.

The hall will be open at 6 P.M. the night before for any who wish to set up at that time.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted Agricultural Prize Money not to exceed $400.00 of the premiums awarded on this list, and Department of Agriculture Rosettes.

Baskets and Displays to be judged by the New England Gladiolus Society Basis.

Quality and Condition	50 points
Color Harmony	10 "
Distinctiveness	15 "
Arrangement of Flowers Effectiveness . . .	25 "

Gladiolus –

No. 500 – Display-Commercial. Baskets and Vases. No other flowers to be used. $75.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office 4 days in advance.

No. 501 – Display of Artistic Arrangements of Gladiolus. No restriction as to grower. $50.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office 4 days in advance.

No. 502 – Display - Semi-Commercial. (Exhibitor sells flowers and/bulbs but does not issue a catalog). Baskets and Vases. Notify the office 4 days in advance. $50.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 503 – Display - Non-Commercial. (Exhibitor does not sell flowers or bulbs). Basket and Vases. Notify the office 4 days in advance. $50.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 504 – Basket, to be named. $35.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 505 — Vase, minimum 5 spikes, to be named.
4.00 3.00 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

No. 506 — Vase of Seedlings, 5 spikes
5.00 4.00 3.00

No. 507 - Seedling Class. One spike, properly labeled. Seedlings and undisseminated varieties will be shown as seedlings. More than one entry may be made by any exhibitor.
Best Seedling will be awarded the Society Rosette and the New England Gladiolus Society Rosette.

No. 508 - Open Color Class. One spike, each, properly labeled with Classification number, variety name, and name and address of the exhibitor. Special cards will be furnished by the Society.

No. 509 — Recent Introduction Varieties (last 5 yrs.). One spike, properly labeled (see above).

No. 510 - Novice Color Class. One spike, properly labeled. This class is open to any person who has never won a Blue Ribbon at any Gladiolus Show.

No. 511 - Three Spike Open Class. Three spikes of one variety, properly labeled and arranged attractively in containers.

No. 512 - Three Spike Seedling awarded Department of Agriculture Rosette.

Education Class

No. 513 — $50.00 may be used for prizes.

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SPECIAL INFORMATION TO AID EXHIBITORS

Use North American Gladiolus Council Classification List.

Stem length below bottom floret —
17 inches on 100 · 200 classes
20 inches on 300 · 400 · 500 classes

The following size separations will be used in all classes:

100 - 200 Miniature and Small
300 Medium
400 Large
500 Giant

First, Second and Third Prize Ribbons will be awarded in each class.

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Members of the Committee will be glad to assist in the arrangements of the spikes and the placing of entries.

Section Champion will be chosen from the Seedling Class –

From each size 300-400-500 in the Recent Introduction Class –

From the same sizes in the One Spike Open Color Class.

From these Section Champions, a Grand Champion shall be chosen.

Following like procedure with the 100-200 size, a Miniature Champion shall be chosen.

Section and Division Champions will be awarded the Society Rosette.

Grand Champions – Certificate of Merit.

Flower Arrangement - "Kaleidoscope"

No. 514 - No restrictions as to kind of flower or grower. $40.00 may be used for prizes. Highest prize $5.00.

Lilies - no other flower to be used

No. 515 – Vase – $15.00 may be used for prizes.

GERALD FALES FUND

Roses –

V. Vase, not over 12 blooms (see Rule 8). $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Annual, one kind –

No. 516 - Vase. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

New Flowers - Recent Introduction

No. 517 - Vase. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Perennial, one kind – (Not otherwise listed) –

No. 518 - Vase. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Biennial - One Kind

No. 519 - Vase - $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Dahlias –

No. 520 – Container – $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Amateur Class –

No. 521 - Single stalk or specimen plant, grown by the exhibitor Ribbons awarded.

Hanging Baskets –

No. 522 Foliage Plants – $20.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 523 Flowering Plants – $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Potted Plants –

No. 524 Display of Home-grown plants. $30.00 available for prizes.

Herbs –

No. 525 Display, $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Begonia, tuberous rooted –

No. 526 Display of Potted Plants. $20.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office four days in advance.

Hardy Cultivated Shrubs and Flowers (annuals and perennials)

No. 527 – Display. Not over 24 sq. ft.

10.00 8.00 6.00 5.00 3.00

Wild Flowers, named –

No. 528 - 10 Vases - no duplicates

4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

(See Special Rules of Wild Flowers on page 5)

Zinnias -

No. 529 - Display of large flowered, 5 vases, 5 stalks each.
$5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00

No. 530 - Display of Pompons (small flowered) 5 vases, 7 stalks each.
$4.00 $3.00 $2.00 $1.00

No. 531 - Vase of Mexican. No less than 12 blooms.
$3.00 $2.00 $1.00

Marigolds -

No. 532 - Display, can be mixed types and varieties, 5 vases, 5 stalks each.
$5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00

Cactus and other Succulents

No. 533 - Collection. $35.00 may be used for prizes.

Apple, twelve specimens –

No. 534	Gravenstein	$3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 535 –	Puritan	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 536 –	Early McIntosh	3.00	2.50	2.00

No. 537 – New varieties. $10.00.

No. 538 – Any other early variety. $10.00.

No. 539 – Seedlings. $10.00.

Crab Apple, twenty-four specimens –

No. 540 –	Any named variety.	3.00	2.50	2.00

Plum, twelve specimens –

No. 541 – Japanese named variety. $10.00

No. 542 – European named variety. $10.00

Peach, twelve specimens, named –

No. 543 – Any white variety. $10.00

No. 544 – Any yellow variety. $10.00

No. 545 – Any new variety. $10.00

No. 546 – Seedlings. $10.00

No. 547 – Display of three or more varieties. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Pear, twelve specimens –

No. 548 – Early varieties. $7.50 may be used.

Display of Fruit –

No. 549 – Not to exceed 20 square feet. Two or more kinds. $35.00 may be used.

Any other variety of Fruits –

No. 550 – $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Fruit class for Amateurs –

No. 551 – Six specimens of a Tree Fruit. - same variety. $10.00 may be used.

CHANDLER BULLOCK FUND

Blueberry, pint box -

W.	Cultivated named	$3.00	$2.50	$2.00	$1.50
X.	New varieties	$3.00	$2.50	$2.00	$1.50
Y.	Display - 3 varieties	$25.00 may be used			
Z.	Wild, one quart	$2.00	$1.50	$1.00	

Bean, Snap, one-half peck –

No. 552 – Wax	2.50	2.00	1.50	
No. 553 – Green Pod	2.50	2.00	1.50	

Bean, Shell, one-half peck –

No. 554 – Dwarf Bush, any variety.	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Bean, Pole, one-half peck –

No. 555 – String, any variety.	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Broccoli -

No. 556 - 3 specimens	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Cabbage – Three specimens

No. 557 – Any named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Sweet Corn, 12 ears -

No. 558 – Any named Yellow variety.	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 559 – Any named White variety.	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 560 – Any named Bicolor variety.	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Cucumber, three specimens –

No. 561 – Any named Hybrid variety. $10.00 may be used.

Cucumber, for pickles –

No. 562 – One-half peck 2.50 2.00 1.50

GERALD FALES FUND

Tomato, twelve specimens -

A.	Red, any named Standard variety	$2.50	$2.00	$1.50	$1.00
B.	Red, any named Hybrid variety	$2.50	$2.00	$1.50	$1.00
C.	Any other variety	$2.50	$2.00	$1.50	$1.00

Onions - 12 specimens –

No. 563 – Any named variety 2.50 2.00 1.50

Potato, twelve specimens –

No. 564 – Cobblers 2.50 2.00 1.50

No. 565 – Superior 2.50 2.00 1.50

No. 566 – Any other named variety. 2.50 2.00 1.50

Pepper, twelve specimens –

No. 567 – Any variety. 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

Summer Squash - Three specimens

No. 568 – Yellow varieties 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

No. 569 – Green varieties 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

No. 570 – Any other varieties 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

Any other Vegetable - Not otherwise listed

No. 571 – $15.00 may be used for prizes.

New Vegetable - variety

No. 572 – Recent Introductions. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Market Basket

No. 573 – Baskets furnished by Society. $30.00 may be used for prizes.

Display of Vegetables -

No. 574 - Commercial - Not to exceed 24 sq. ft.
$25.00 may be used for prizes

No. 575 - Non-commercial - Not to exceed 18 sq. ft.
$25.00 may be used for prizes

Mushroom, native –

No. 576 - Collection, named edible varieties. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S EXHIBITION

See separate Schedule

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DAHLIA EXHIBITION

Please refer to Exhibition Rules on pages 3 to 6.

COMMITTEE: MR. WAYNE C. SMITH, Chairman
MR. BERTRAND BEYER
DR. & MRS. GEORGE W. HAZZARD

Thursday, September 15

This exhibition will be open to the public from 2 to 8:00 P.M.

All articles for this exhibition must be in the hall and ready for inspection by the Judges by 12:30 o'clock.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted Agricultural Prize Money not to exceed $600.00 of the premiums awarded on this list.

Sale of Spring Flowering Bulbs
Benefit of the Scholarship Fund

Dahlia, varieties to be named –

No. 600 -	Display of Singles, 5 Vases, 3 Blooms per Vase - One Variety per Vase	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 601 -	Display of Collarettes, 5 Vases, 3 Blooms per Vase, one variety per Vase	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 602 -	Display of Pompons, 5 Vases, 3 Blooms per Vase, one variety per Vase	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 603 -	Display of Pompons, 10 Vases, 3 Blooms per Vase, one variety per Vase	6.00	5.00	3.00
No. 604 -	Display of Miniatures, 5 Vases, 3 Blooms per Vase, one variety per Vase	4.00	3.00	2.00

1 Bloom per vase and as many varieties as there are vases -

No. 605 -	Display of Decoratives, 6" to 8" 5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 606 -	Display of Decoratives, 6" to 8" 10 Vases	6.00	5.00	3.00
No. 607 -	Display of Decoratives, 8" and over 5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 608 -	Display of Decoratives, 8" and over 10 Vases	6.00	5.00	3.00
No. 609 -	Display of Semi-Cactus, 6" to 8" 5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 610 -	Display of Semi-Cactus, 6" to 8" 10 Vases	6.00	5.00	3.00
No. 611 -	Display of Semi-Cactus, 8" and over 5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 612 -	Display of Semi-Cactus, 8" and over 10 Vases	6.00	5.00	3.00
No. 613 -	Display of Cactus, 6" to 8" 5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 614 -	Display of Cactus, 6" to 8" 10 Vases	6.00	5.00	3.00

No. 615 - Display of Cactus, 8" and over 4.00 3.00 2.00
5 Vases

No. 616 - Display of Cactus, 8" and over 6.00 5.00 3.00
10 Vases

No. 617 - Basket or Vase of Collarettes - at least 5 varieties
5.00 4.00 3.00

No. 618 - Basket or Vase of Miniatures - at least 8 varieties
5.00 4.00 3.00

No. 619 - Basket or Vase of large flowered 5.00 4.00 3.00

No. 620 - Basket or Vase of Singles - at least 10 varieties
5.00 4.00 3.00

No. 621 - Basket or Vase of Pompons - at least 10 varieties
5.00 4.00 3.00

No. 622 - Basket or Vase of Cactus Varieties - at least 5 varieties
5.00 4.00 3.00

No. 623 - Basket of assorted varieties of Dahlias

No. 624 - Display, 50 square feet. $75.00 may be used for prizes. Commercial. Notify office 4 days in advance.

No. 625 - Display, 50 square feet. $75.00 may be used for prizes. Non-commercial. Notify office 4 days in advance.

No. 626 - Display, 25 square feet. $30.00 may be used for prizes. Commercial. Notify office 4 days in advance.

No. 627 - Display, 25 square feet. $30.00 to be used for prizes. Non-Commercial. Notify office 4 days in advance.

No. 628 - Best Vase of Recent Introduction.
1970 - '71 - '72 Introduction. Blue Ribbon

No. 629 - Best Vase of New Variety introduced 1973 - 74 - 75
$5.00 may be used.

No. 629A - Amateur Class - Single stalk, any variety. Ribbon prizes awarded.

Educational Exhibit —

No. 630 - To cover any phase of Dahlia growing, hybridizing, culture or classification. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

"Court of Honor"

Best Small Bloom in Show - From Classes 600 to 604 inclusive Blue Ribbon & $5.00

Best Decorative Bloom in Show - From Classes 605 to 608 inclusive - Blue Ribbon & $5.00

Best Cactus Bloom in Show - From Classes 609 to 616 inclusive Blue Ribbon & $5.00

Highest Honor Bloom chosen from 3 Best Bloom Winner - State Award

THE MYRON F. CONVERSE MEMORIAL FUND

Flower Arrangement - "Sunset Symphony"

C. Dahlias preferred but other kinds of flowers may be used. No restriction as to grower. $40.00 may be used. Highest prize - $5.00.

Standard of Classification for Dahlias - Set by the American Dahlia Society

Pompons, 2 inches or under
Ball, 4 inches or more
Medium, 4 to 8 inches
Miniatures, under 4 inches
BB or Small Medium, 4 to 6 inches
Large, 8 inches or over

THE MYRON F. CONVERSE MEMORIAL FUND

Roses -

B. Collection of kinds and varieties named (number of kinds important). $40.00 to be used for prizes.

Gladiolus, standard varieties –

No. 631 - 10 Vases, one spike in a vase, to be named.			5.00	4.00	3.00
No. 632 - Basket	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	

EDWIN DRAPER FUND

Begonia, tuberous rooted –

D. Cut flowers in vases, not more than 20 vases. $12.00 may be used for prizes.

Asters, large flowered, long stems –

E. Vase of 12 blooms			3.00	2.00	1.00

Asters, single or anemone –

No. 633 - Vase, 12 blooms			3.00	2.00	1.00

Marigolds –

No. 634 - Display, can be mixed types and varieties – 5 vases, 5 stalks.	3.50	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 635 - Large flowered, 3 vases, 3 stalks			3.00	2.00	1.00
No. 636 - Double French, 3 vases, 3 stalks	3.00	2.00	1.50	1.00	
No. 637 - Single, 3 vases, 3 stalks			3.00	2.00	1.00
No. 638 - Any other, 3 vases, 3 stalks			3.00	2.00	1.00

Petunias –

No. 639 - Single, plain-edged, 5 vases, 3 stalks	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	
No. 640 - Single, fringed or ruffled, 5 vases, 3 stalks	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	
No. 641 - Double, 5 vases, 3 stalks	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	

Zinnias –

No. 642 - Display. Mixed types and varieties, 5 vases, 5 stalks –	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	
No. 643 - Display of large flowered, 5 vases, 5 stalks –	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	

No. 644 - Display of Pompons (small flowered), 5 vases, 7 stalks — 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.50 1.00

No. 645 - Vase of Mexican. No less than 12 blooms — 3.00 2.00 1.50 1.00

Annual, one kind — (Not otherwise listed) —

No. 646 - Vase. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Perennial, one kind — (Not otherwise listed) —

No. 647 - Vase. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Biennial - One kind

No. 648 - Vase $15.00 may be used for prizes.

New Flowers —

No. 649 - Recent Introductions. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

Wild Flowers —

No. 650 - Appropriate container, *artistic effect.* $15.00 may be used for prizes. (See Special Rule on Wild Flowers - Page 5.)

No. 651 - 10 vases, named, no duplicates. 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

Herbs —

No. 652 - Display. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Potted Plants —

No. 653 - Display of container grown plants. $30.00 available for prizes. Notify Office 4 days in advance.

Chrysanthemums - Garden Grown

No. 653A - Cut Flowers, 3 vases, 3 stalks per vase
$4.00 $3.00 $2.00 $1.00

Hanging Baskets

No. 654 Foliage Plants — $20.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 655 Flowering Plants -- $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Amateur Class —

No. 656 - Single stalk or specimen plant, grown by the exhibitor - other than Dahlias - Ribbons awarded.

Apple, twelve specimens —

No. 657 - McIntosh 3.00 2.50 2.00

No. 658 - Red Gravenstein 3.00 2.50 2.00

No. 659 - Milton 3.00 2.50 2.00

No. 660 - Wealthy 2.50 2.00 1.50

No. 661 - New varieties. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 662 - Seedling varieties. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 663 - Any other varieties. $7.50 may be used for prizes.

Crab Apples, twenty-four specimens —

No. 664 - Hyslop 3.00 2.50

No. 665 - Any other variety 3.00 2.50

Pear, twelve specimens —

No. 666 - Bartlett 3.00 2.50 2.00

No. 667 - Seckel 3.00 2.50 2.00

No. 668 - New named varieties		3.00	2.50
No. 669 - Any other variety	3.00	2.50	2.00

Plum, twelve specimens –

No. 670 - Any Japanese variety. $10.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 671 - Any European variety. $10.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 672 - Any new varieties. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

Peach, twelve specimens –

No. 673 - Early Elberta	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 674 - Any white variety	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 675 - Any other yellow variety	3.00	2.50	2.00

No. 676 - New varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 677 - Seedlings. $10.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 678 - Display, three or more varieties. $20.00 may be used.

Quince, twelve specimens –

No. 679 - Orange	3.00	2.50	2.00

Fruit Class for Amateurs –

No. 680 - 6 specimens of a Tree Fruit - same variety. $10.00 may be used.

Grape, three clusters –

No. 681 - Fredonia	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 682 - Seneca	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 683 - Worden	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 684 - Seedless variety	3.50	3.00	2.50

No. 685 - For other varieties – $10.00.
No. 686 - New varieties – $10.00.

No. 687 - Collection, not less than 5 varieties.	12.00	10.00	8.00

COOK-DAVEY FUND

New Variety of Any Fruit (apples, pears, peaches, etc.)

F. Recent Introduction – Not scheduled.		5.00	4.00

Any other Variety of Fruits –

No. 688 - $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Muskmelons, three specimens –

No. 689 - Hybrid, named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 690 - Orange flesh, named	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 691 - Green flesh, named		2.50	2.00

Watermelon, three specimens —

No. 692 - Midget Type	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 693 - Seedless, two specimens		3.00	2.50	2.00

No. 694 - Any other variety. $10.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 694a — Melon Display. $35.00 available

Squash, Winter, three specimens —

No. 695 - Buttercup	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 696 - Blue Hubbard	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 697 - Golden Delicious	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 698 - Des Moines	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

No. 699 - Butternut. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 700 - Butternut - Hercules	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

No. 701 - Any other variety, named. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Potatoes, twelve specimens —

No. 702 - Any named variety. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Cabbage, three specimens —

No. 703 - Red	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 704 - Savoy	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 705 - Any other variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Carrots - Two bunches - 6 in each — 2.50 2.00 1.50
No. 706 - Any named variety

Cauliflower —

No. 707 - Three specimens	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50

Cucumber - Three specimens —
No. 708 - Three specimens
Any named Hybrid variety. $10.00 may be used.

Broccoli —

No. 709 - Three specimens	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Peppers, twelve specimens —

No. 710 - Wonder type	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00	.75
No. 711 - Squash type			2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 712 - Any other named variety		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

No. 713 - Display. $35.00 may be used.

Tomatoes, red, twelve specimens —

No. 714 - Rutgers or Marglobe type	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 715 - Hybrid variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 716 - Any other named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

No. 717 - Display. $35.00 may be used for prizes.

Tomatoes, small-fruited, one quart —

No. 718 - Any named variety. $7.00 may be used for prizes.

Sweet Corn, twelve ears –

No. 719 – Bicolor, named	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 720 – Yellow, named	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 721 – White, named	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Celery, six specimens -

No. 722 - Summer Pascal	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 723 - Any other variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Egg Plant - two specimens -

No. 724 - Any named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Onions - twelve specimens -

No. 725 - Sweet Spanish	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 726 - Yellow Globe type	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 727 - White	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 728 - Red	2.50	2.00	1.50

Squash, Summer - three specimens -

No. 729 - Any Variety Yellow	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 730 - Any Variety Green	2.50	2.00	1.50

Bean, Snap, one-half peck

No. 731 - Wax	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 732 - Green Pod	2.50	2.00	1.50

Vegetables -

No. 733 - New Introductions. (1976-1977).
$10.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 734 - Display of Vegetables - commercial - 24 sq. ft. -
$25.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 735 - Display of Vegetables - non-commercial - 18 sq. ft.
$25.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 736 - Any other Vegetable (Kind) not otherwise listed.
$15.00 may be used.

Vegetable Class for Juniors -

No. 737 - Two or more vegetable specimens grown by exhibitor -
Prizes available.

Mushroom, native -

No. 738 - Collection of edible varieties -
$25.00 may be used for prizes.

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

FALL GARDEN EXHIBIT
WORCESTER CENTER GALLERIA

COMMITTEE: MR. JOHN KONING, Chairman
WILLARD BANNING

Friday, October 7, 1977 through Saturday, October 15, 1977

All gardens must be in place and ready for inspection by the judges by 11 o'clock Friday.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture will award Rosettes for outstanding exhibits and a silver tray.

The silver tray will be awarded to the "Most Meritorious Exhibit", namely: that exhibit receiving the highest number of points in scoring by judges.

Garden Displays: - No restriction as to grower - $1,800.00 available.

Not more than five exhibits - Award money is based approximately on $2.00 per sq. ft. with five gardens of 250 sq. ft.

Scale of points by which the above classes are to be judged.

Design & Consistency	30 points
Suitability & Quality	20 points
Charm and Atmosphere	15 points
Color Harmony	10 points
Seasonability	10 points
Originality of design	10 points
Correct Labeling	5 points

For example a 250 sq. ft. display at $2.00 per sq. ft. makes top prize money of $500.00 provided is judged to receive 100 points. If a display is judged to receive 90 points then prize is 90% of $500. or $450.

If there are only 3 gardens, these can then be 350 sq. ft.

If there are 4 gardens, they will be based on 300 sq. ft.

SPECIAL AWARD

For Excellence in Design and Consistency - the Society's silver medal presented by Louise C. Harrington. This special award will be given for Garden Displays at the discretion of the judges.

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Please refer to Exhibition Rules on pages 3 to 6.

COMMITTEE: MR. ARTHUR O'MARA, Chairman
MRS. K. G. A. ANDERSSON
MR. JOHN BOOMER
MRS. GORDON BUTLER
MR. ALDEN MILLER
MR. ROBERT S. RUSSELL

Thursday, November 3 - 3:00 to 6:00 P.M. (Members only)
Friday, November 4 - 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.
Saturday, November 5 - 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.
Sunday, November 6 - 12 noon to 5 P.M.

All articles for this exhibition must be in the Hall and ready for inspection by the Judges by 12:30 o'clock on Thursday.

SPECIAL ART EXHIBITION - by public school children of the first six grades.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted agricultural prize money not to exceed $1,100.00 of the premiums awarded on this list, Rosettes for outstanding exhibits.

EDWIN DRAPER FUND

G. Christmas Tree Exhibit for Young People
Old fashioned hand made decorations. Fresh cut in water or balled. No restrictions as to grower.
$50.00 available - first prize not over $15.00

Christmas Trees - 6' - 8' height range

No. 901 -	Spruce	10.00	8.00	5.00	
No. 902 -	Fir (including balsam)	10.00	8.00	5.00	
No. 903 -	Pine	10.00	8.00	5.00	

Standard Commercial Varieties -

No. 904 -	Chrysanthemums, vase of white	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.50
No. 905 -	Chrysanthemums, vase of yellow.	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.50
No. 906 -	Chrysanthemums, vase of pink.	5.00	4.00	3.00	
No. 907 -	Any other color.	5.00	4.00	3.00	

Note: Six flowers in each, one variety in each vase. Stems not less than two feet.

FREDERICK A. BLAKE FUND

Chrysanthemums -

K.	Best Bloom	4.00 3.00 2.00
L.	Display of Potted Plants	50.00

Special Exhibits — (Plants other than Chrysanthemums) —

No. 908 - Commercial. $75.00 may be used for prizes. 75 sq. ft. Notify office 1 week in advance.

No. 909 - Commercial. $50.00 may be used for prizes. 50 sq. ft. Notify office 1 week in advance.

No. 910 - Home grown specimen plants, 24 square feet. Quality not quantity. $50.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office 1 week in advance.

Hanging Baskets —

No. 911 - Flowering $50.00 may be used for prizes - Highest prize $10.00

No. 912 - Foliage $50.00 may be used for prizes - Highest prize $10.00

Gesneriads —

No. 913 - Commercial. $50.00 may be used for prizes. .

African Violets

No. 914 - $50.00 may be used for prizes.

Amateur Class —

No. 917 - Single stalk or specimen plant, grown by the exhibitor — Ribbons awarded.

MRS. EDWARD A. BIGELOW FUND

Flower Arrangements -

M. "Symphony in Fruits & Flowers" Sharfman Award - $40.00

N. "Symphony in Fruits & Flowers" Children's Class - $30.00

O. Dried Material - Accessories may be used.
Highest prize $5.00 $50.00

Wreaths - 16" frame - Thanksgiving

No. 922 -	Fresh Material to be used. See Rule No. 2	$30.00 may be used
No. 923 -	Decorated, Dried Material, cones, fruit, etc.	Money Available

Door Swag - Thanksgiving

No. 924 -	See Rule No. 2	$30.00 may be used
No. 925 -	Decorated, Dried Material, cones, fruit, etc.	Money Available

Terrariums — Includes Fern and Berry Globes

No. 926 - Large — Containers must be over 18 inches but must not exceed 36 inches in any dimension. 4.00 3.00 2.00

No. 927 - Small — Containers must not exceed 18 inches in any dimension. 3.00 2.00 1.00

No. 928 - Children's Class. $10.00 may be used.

Herbs —

No. 929 - Display of dried material grown or collected from the wild by exhibitor. $40.00 may be used for prizes.

SAMUEL T. AND ANNA N. W. HOBBS FUND

P. **Educational Classes —**

No. 1 — Juniors under 14 years.

No. 2 — Seniors - 14 through 20 years

No. 3 — Club or group exhibit.

$100.00 may be used.

THE COULSON FUND

Q. **Educational Class — Adults**

$50.00 may be used.

Fruit Display —

No. 938 - Must contain at least three or more kinds of fruit. No restriction as to arrangement, not to exceed 30 square feet. $100.00 may be used for prizes. Notify the Office four days in advance.

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S. LOTHROP DAVENPORT AWARD

A Silver Medal, given in honor of Mr. Davenport, will be awarded at the discretion of the Judges to an exhibition of apples to recognize particular merit or excellence in quality.

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Apple Display —

No. 939 - 50 square feet. $150.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office 4 days in advance.

Apples, forty-nine specimens —

No. 940 - Baldwin	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 941 - McIntosh	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 942 - Delicious	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 943 - Cortland	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 944 - Macoun	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 945 - Golden Delicious	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 946 - Other named varieties. $50.00 may be used for prizes.				
No. 947 - Basket of Fancy Apples.	3.50	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 948 - Basket of Fancy Pears.		3.00	2.50	2.00
(Baskets furnished by the Society)				

Apples, twelve specimens —

No. 949 - Baldwin	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 950 - Delicious	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 951 - McIntosh	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 952 - Cortland	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 953 - Macoun	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 954 - Northern Spy		3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 955 - R. I. Greening		3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 956 - Red Rome		3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 957 - Sweet varieties		2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 958 - New varieties. Introduced since 1940. $10.00 may be used for prizes.				
No. 959 - Old varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.				
No. 960 - Any other variety. $10.00 may be used.				

Crab Apples, twenty-four specimens —

No. 961 - Hyslop			3.00	2.50
No. 962 - Any other variety			3.00	2.50

COOK-DAVEY FUND

New Variety of Any Fruit (apples, pears, peaches, etc.)

R. Recent Introduction. Not scheduled.			5.00	4.00

WILLIAM EAMES FUND

S. Roxbury Russet	3.00	2.50	2.00	
T. Golden Delicious	3.00	2.50	2.00	

THE THAYER MEDAL

A Silver Medal will be awarded at the discretion of the Judges to an outstanding plate of Pears.

Pears, twelve specimens —

No. 963 - Bosc 3.50 3.00 2.50

No. 964 - Anjou 3.50 3.00 2.50

No. 965 - New varieties. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 966 - Any other variety. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Cranberries, Wild, one pint, no restrictions —

No. 967 - $5.00 may be used for prizes.

Any other Fruits —

No. 968 - $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Nuts — grown in Worcester County —

No. 969 - Display of edible nuts. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 970 - One pint of each or any of the following:
Chestnuts, Butternuts, Black Walnuts
Hickory, Filbert, Hartnuts, English Walnuts, etc.
$15.00 may be used for prizes.

HERBERT R. KINNEY MEMORIAL AWARD

A bronze medal will be awarded at the discretion of the judges to an exhibitor of a vegetable or vegetables to recognize an exhibit of particular merit or excellence in quality or to recognize improvement by the exhibitor.

Brussel Sprouts —

No. 971 - Two one-quart baskets. 2.00 1.50 1.00 .50

Carrots, twelve specimens —

No. 972 - Any variety 2.00 1.50 1.00 .75 .50

Cauliflower —

No. 973 - Three specimens 3.00 2.50 2.00 1.50

Celery, blanched, three specimens -

No. 974 - Pascal Summer 3.00 2.50 2.00 1.50

No. 975 - Any other variety 3.00 2.50 2.00 1.50

Onion, twelve specimens —

No. 976 - White Globe 2.00 1.50 1.00 .50

No. 977 - Red Globe 2.00 1.50 1.00 .50

No. 978 - Ebenezer 2.00 1.50 1.00 .50

No. 979 - Yellow Danvers 2.00 1.50 1.00 .50

No. 980 - Any other variety. $8.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 981 - Hybrid varieties. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

Cabbage, three specimens —					
No. 982 - Savoy		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 983 - Any variety		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
Parsnip, twelve specimens --					
No. 984 - Any variety		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
Sugar Pumpkins —					
No. 985 - Three specimens		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
Field Pumpkins —					
No. 986 Two specimens		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
Squash, three specimens —					
No. 987 - Blue Hubbard	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 988 - Butternut. $15.00 may be used for prizes.					
No. 989 - Hercules type		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 990 - Buttercup		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 991 - Table Queen Type		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 992 - Jumbo Table Queen		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 993 - Delicious		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 994 - Waltham Butternut		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 995 - Any other variety		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
Turnip, twelve specimens —					
No. 996 - Purple Top Globe			2.00	1.50	1.00
Turnip, six specimens —					
No. 997 - Rutabaga or Swedish			2.00	1.50	1.00
Potato, twelve specimens —					
No. 998 - Green Mountain	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
No. 999 - Katahdin		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
No. 1000 - Chippewa		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
No. 1001 - Superior		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
No. 1002 - Kennebec	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
No. 1003 - New varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.					
No. 1004 - Any other variety		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
Watermelon, three specimens -					
No. 1005 - Any variety			2.50	2.00	1.50

New Vegetable — Variety

No. 1006 - Recent Introductions. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Any other Vegetable — (Not Otherwise Listed)

No. 1007 - $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Vegetables –

No. 1008 - Market Baskets furnished by Society. Baskets to be so filled that it is possible to carry without contents falling off. $30.00 may be used for prizes. No prize over $3.50.

No. 1009 - Display – not to exceed 24 square feet. $100.00 may be used for prizes. Notify the Office 4 days in advance.

Ornamental Gourds, Natural –

No. 1010 - Display – not to exceed 15 square feet. $30.00 may be used for prizes. Notify the Office 4 days in advance.

Collection of Ornamental Corn

No. 1011 - Display - $30.00 available for prizes.

Largest Squash or Pumpkin –

No. 1012 - $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Field Beans –

No. 1013 - Collection. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Special Class for Children from 10 to 19 years – (May be set up the night before)

No. 1014 - Juniors, under 14 years. A vase of dried material artistically arranged. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 1015 - Seniors - 14 to 20 years. A vase of dried material artistically arranged. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 1016 - Juniors, under 14 years. Two to five vegetable specimens grown by the exhibitor. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 1017 - Seniors - 14 to 20 years. Two to five vegetable specimens grown by the exhibitor. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 1018 – Vegetable Display – for Children. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

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ANNUAL MEETING - Thursday - January 19, 1978

Premiums will be paid after the Harvest Festival – State Award Money will be sent out upon receipt of same.

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THE LIBRARY OF THE WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The Library Committee wish to call your attention to the Library and Reading Room, where the librarian is always ready to extend every facility possible to those in search of horticultural information.

WILD FLOWERS GUIDE

The following list is recommended by the Hadwen Botanical Club as a guide which may help plant collectors who hope to display Wild Flowers at the Worcester County Horticultural Society Exhibits.

GROUP I

Not to be shown at any time	*Common Name*
1. Aletris farinosa	Colic root
2. All orchids except no. 6 and 11 in Group II	
3. Asclepias tuberosa	Butterfly-weed
4. Castilleja coccinea	Painted-cup
5. Clematis verticillaris	Purple Virgin's Bower
6. Dicentra canadensis	Squirrel Corn
7. Dicentra cucullaria	Dutchman's Breeches
8. Epigaea repens	Mayflower
9. Gentiana crinita	Fringed Gentian
10. Linnaea borealis	Twin Flower
11. Lobelia cardinalis	Cardinal Flower
12. Orontium aquaticum	Golden Club
13. Pentstemon (all)	Pentstemon
14. Rhododendron maximum	Rhododendron

GROUP II

Not to be pulled up; parts above the roots may be shown with moderation.	*Common Name*
1. Actaea pachypoda	White Baneberry
2. Actaea rubra	Red Baneberry
3. Aquilegia canadensis	Columbine
4. Calluna vulgaris	Heather
5. Claytonia caroliniana	Spring Beauty
6. Cypripedium acaule	Pink Ladies' Slipper
7. Dentaria diphylla	Toothwort
8. Genista tinctoria	Genista
9. Gentiana andrewsii	Closed Gentian
10. Gentiana linearis	Narrow-leaved Gentian
11. Habenaria lacera	Ragged Fringed Orchid
12. Hepatica americana	Hepatica
13. Lilium canadense	Canada Lily
14. Lilium philadelphicum	Wood Lily
15. Sarracenia purpurea	Pitcher Plant
16. Viola pubescens	Yellow Violet

GROUP III

All others may be shown, but use judgment in picking.
Never pick the last specimen.
Flowers under cultivation are not classed as Wild Flowers.

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Arnoldia
Bay State African Violet Society
Country Journal
Daffodil Journal
Florists' Review
Flower & Garden
Fruit Varieties Journal
Garden Journal of the N.Y. Botanical Garden
Gesneriad Saintpaulia News
Greener Gardening
Hemerocallis Journal
Hort Science
Horticultural Society of N.Y. Bulletin
Horticulture
Landscape Architecture
Market Growers Journal
National Chrysanthemum Society
New England Gardening
Organic Gardening & Farming
P.H.S. News
Plants Alive
Plants & Gardens - Brooklyn Botanic Garden Record
Ranger Rick
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Successful Farming
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REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1976
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society

On this 20th day of January, 1977, I would take a clue from Janus, the old Roman Deity, for whom this month was named, and with him look both backward at what has been accomplished and forward to the new year's challenges.

Your conscientious committee chairpeople will be telling you of their activities in 1976.

I would just like to generically mention how successful for the Society has been this past year; including the record-breaking attendance at the Spring Flower Show, the Bicentennial Winter Lecture Series, and the increased gift giving by special solicitation.

You will be hearing about our giving; Garden Awards, Scholarships, and the Plant of the Month program. Also about our offerings; garden courses, spring bulb sale, and the happy tours to beauty, history, and pleasure.

Our co-operative venture with Old Sturbridge Village - the S. Lothrop Davenport Preservation Orchard - which continues to bring both institutions national recognition - is growing under the guiding eyes and careful hands of S. James Mistark.

But to use Janus' other face and to look with him to the future - many programs are proceeding well.

An intensive study of Library facilities, acquisitions, and usage has been initiated by that active committee.

An on-going appraisal utilizing fiscal projections by an outside consultant continues to assist the Finance Committee in best evaluating funding alternatives.

The important Front Street property is viewed with concern as we look for potential clients.

The plethera of normal annual enterprises are well on their way.

With almost 1100 members, your Society is healthy, happy, and active. It exists for you - your interest and support are its reasons for existance. Only a comparatively small percentage of our membership has accomplished what you will hear about today - think what could be achieved if all 1100 were thoroughly involved!

My heartfelt gratitude to all who helped and especially to Betty Gifford, our able Secretary, to Fayre Nason and Ed Herron, and to the man who puts it all together for you - our Executive Director, Harlan T. Pierpont, Jr.

In the name of the Worcester County Horticultural Society - I thank you all.

Paul E. Rogers, President

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The Finance Committee consisting of Messrs. Clifford and Beals, and the Chairman, met seven times during the year to review aspects of the Society's finances. Mr Pierpont joined all seven meetings. In addition, Mr. Thomas Sedgwick, representing The Mechanics National Bank, joined the Committee on three occasions for specific review of assets in the portfolio. The Finance Committee's major undertaking with full Board approval was the hiring of a consultant to prepare a five-year projected study based on the anticipated loss of $40,000 revenue from the Front Street property when the lease expires in 1979. The study pointed up the revenues that will be needed commencing in July of 1979 and thereafter depending upon the disposition of the Society's rental property on Front Street. With this long-range study, the investment portfolio can best be adapted to provide the Society additional income; however, it does not appear at this time that the Society will realize enough from either its portfolio or disposition of the building to equal the $40,000 income now received from the property. Accordingly, the Finance Committee and all Members of the Society must be keenly aware of the financial needs that will fall upon us in approximately two and one-half years.

The Committee would like to pay a special credit to Harlan Pierpont's careful controls in conserving current operating funds so that the Society can continue to put away some money for future operating needs.

Duane T. Sargisson, Chairman
Finance Committee

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

As you probably have noticed, we are very happy with the new storm windows. The money for this project came from the State Department of Agriculture.

Ed Herron certainly keeps the hall in good shape as you can see with his many paint jobs that keep it looking well.

Luckily, there have been no major projects this year.

S. James Mistark
Gustaf C. Nelson
Bernice Heald, Chairman

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 1976
WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

OPERATING INCOME:		
Rent - Front Street real estate	$40,000	
Use of Horticultural Hall	690	
Show, exhibitions and lectures	12,437	
Membership dues	6,602	
Interest income (restricted funds) (From Exhibit A)	1,917	
Total operating income	61,646	
Add - interest and dividends earned on investments	6,302	
Total income		$ 67,948
DEDUCT - EXPENSES:		
Operating expenses from Schedule 2		70,124
Excess of disbursements over income (before contributions and gain on investments held under agency agreement)		(2,176)
Contributions (from special solicitation)		31,755
Gain on investments held under agency agreement		1,683
Excess of current year income over expenses		31,262
CURRENT FUND OPERATING BALANCE - DECEMBER 1, 1975		373,057
CURRENT FUND OPERATING BALANCE - NOVEMBER 30, 1976		$404,319

OPERATING EXPENSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED NOVEMBER 30, 1976
WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Salaries	$27,863
Payroll taxes	1,744
Employees' Retirement Fund	800
Heat, light and power	8,312
Building repairs and maintenance	2,456
Awards and scholarships	12,099
Exhibition expenses	3,511
Children's gardens	571
Experimental orchards (net)	98
Library services	1,449
Public relations	962
Insurance	4,206
Office supplies and expense	2,617
Investment Fund charges	1,059
Postage	1,160
Professional fees	1,217
Total operating expenses (To Schedule 1)	$70,124

BALANCE SHEET
NOVEMBER 30, 1976
WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

CURRENT FUNDS

UNRESTRICTED

Cash	$ 33,948	
Exhibit reimbursement receivable	1,200	
Investments - held under agency agreement (market value $156,359)	130,167	
Interest receivable	1,106	
Total assets		$166,421
Employees' funds	567	
Total liabilities		$ 567
Fund balances:		
Designated by the Governing Board for:		
Long-term investments	130,167	
Capital repairs	2,000	
Unemployment payments	1,000	
Scholarship Fund	3,167	
Undesignated, available for general activities	29,520	
Total fund balances		165,854
Total liabilities and fund balances		$166,421

RESTRICTED

Cash	$ 1,906
Fund balances:	
Exhibits, prizes, promotions and scholarships	$ 1,906

LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FUND

Land, buildings and equipment, at cost less accumulated depreciation of $332,138	$202,500
Fund balance	$202,500

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Cash	$ 3,151	
Certificates of deposit	30,908	
Total		$ 34,059
Fund balance (from Exhibit A)		$ 34,059

EXHIBIT A

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
ENDOWMENT FUNDS
AS AT NOVEMBER 30, 1976

		EARNINGS			
				RESTRICTED	RESTRICTE
	PRINCIPAL	RESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	FLOWER	FOR
	AMOUNT	FOR PRIZES	FOR LIBRARY	SHOWS	ENDOWMENT
Francis Henshaw Dewey Fund	$ 1,000	$ 78			
William Eames Fund	500	37			
Frederick A. Blake Fund	1,000	78			
Edwin Draper Fund	300	23			
Miss Frances Clary Nurse Fund	500	37			
Miss Lucy M. Coulson Fund	1,000	78			
G. A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	78			
Chandler Bullock Fund	1,000	78			
Miss Elizabeth R. Bishop Fund	500	37			
Samuel T. and Anna N. W. Hobbs Fund	5,000	389			
Edward Winslow Lincoln Fund	1,000	78			
Cook-Davey Fund	600	46			
Elouise S. Knight Memorial Fund	1,000	78			
Gerald Fales Memorial Fund	1,000	78			
Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	78			
George B. Slater Fund	470	36			
The Thayer Fund	2,000	155			
Hadwen Fund	1,000	78			
National Association of Gardeners Fund	1,173	52			$13
Harvie Channin Educational Fund	2,016	96			24
Mrs. Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000				
Myron F. Converse Memorial Fund	10,000		$96	$96	
Total funds (To Schedule 3)	$34,059				
Total earnings (To Schedule 1)	$ 1,917	$1,688	$96	$96	$37

Contributions to the Society have been received during 1976 from the following members and friends and are deeply appreciated.

A.

Adshead, Mona
Ahlin, Mr. & Mrs. Wilson E.
Alden, George I. Trust Fund
Alden, Mrs. Hollis E.
Alden, The Hollis E. & Gwendolyn D. Foundation
Allen, Mrs. Charles A., II
Angel, Mr. Christopher C.
Anonymous Gift
Arms, Mrs. Clarence S.
Arms, Miss Isabel K.
Arnold, Mr. & Mrs. Christopher
Auchmoody, Mr. John E.

B.

Bagley, Mr. & Mrs. Edwin G.
Beals, Mr. Philip C.
Beaman Oak Garden Club
Benoit, Armand A.
Benoit, Dr. Noe N.
Bigelow, Miss Patricia E.
Bilzerian, Mrs. Queene
Blodget, Chester B.
Booth, Mrs. Howard M.
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Bozenhard, Mrs. Cushing C.
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Bull, Mr. & Mrs. Herbert S.
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Byram, Mr. Joseph G.

C.

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Callahan, Miss Ann F.
Carmody, Mrs. John
Clark, Mr. & Mrs. Curtis M.
Clifford, Mr. Edward L.
Coates, Mr. Austin B.
Coe, Mrs. Jefferson W.
Coghlin, Mr. & Mrs. John W.
Collins, Misses Elizabeth & Margaret
Cone, Mr. Herbert A.
Conti, Mr. & Mrs. Egidio J.
Cowan, Mrs. Fairman C.
Cox, Mary Rose
Cristy, Miss Edna V.
Crocker, Mrs. Douglas
Crockett, Miss Evelyn F.
Cross, Mrs. Ralph
Curtis, Mr. John W.
Cutting, Mr. & Mrs. Merritt

D.

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Isham, Mr. William E.

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Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. Curt I.
Johnson, Mrs. Louise
Jones, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth

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Marsh, Miss Carrie
Martin, Miss Laura S.
Martocci, Marie
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Nagle, Mary E.
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Olsen, Miss Greta
O'Mara, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur J.

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Parker, Miss Katherine V.
Pauquet, Mrs. Roger
Perkins, Mr. Dwight A.
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Piehler, Dr. & Mrs. Edmund O.
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Plumley, Mr. & Mrs. H. Ladd
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Prouty, Mr. & Mrs. Richard
Prunier, Mrs. Olive

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Rae, Miss Dorothy M.
Renno, Mrs. Paul C.
Reynders, Mr. John F.
Rice, Mrs. Albert W.
Rice, Mr. & Mrs. Donald S.
Rice, Miss Rosemary
Robarge, Mr. Emerson N.
Robertson, Edith C.
Rockwell, Mrs. S. B., Jr.

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Worcester Garden Club
Wylie, Dr. & Mrs. H. Lee
Wright, Mrs. E. Stanley

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Zimmerman, Mr. Henry A.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

This year has been one of growth, with 111 new books added to our collection. 52 of these were given by the following donors:

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Elise Andersen
Converse Fund
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Congr. J. P. S. Devereux
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Mrs. Robert W. Stoddard
Worcester Co. Extension Ser.

As always we are very appreciative for their kindness; we not only add many more books than we would be able to buy within our budget, for some are unattainable. We especially want to note Mrs. Stoddards rare gift of a five volume portfolio of North American Wildflowers by Dr. & Mrs. Walcott. Also of importance are 2 of our major purchases; Hortus Third Concise Dictionary of Plants cultivated in the United States and Canada, compiled by the staff of the L. H. Bailey Hortorium of Cornell University and The Herbal, or General History of Plants; the complete 1633 edition by John Gerard, review and enlarged by Thomas Johnson.

We now have a total of 5,118 books and subscribe to 36 periodicals. of special interest to many should be our new bi-monthly House Plants and Porch Gardens.

We have become members of the American Rose Society and the International Lilac Society; hence their literature will be available.

A book plate has been obtained to be placed in books to be purchased from the new Myron F. Converse Memorial Fund.

We are grateful to an anonymous donor for a table and 2 chairs which will be an attractive addition to our children's corner.

The Library Committee which meets monthly has had: the books and shelves cleaned; less used and older books moved to our stack room, where they are also separately recatalogued; a shelf list made of all books, to enable updating with new books in important categories, and plastic covers put on books to enhance their attractiveness and endurance.

We regularly add items to our newsletter; recently we listed several of our recent acquisitions; not one response was obtained. We therefore can only add again, our hope that our members and friends will take advantage of our attractive and well stocked library. Suggestions which will better help us to fulfill our purpose are always welcome and solicited.

Kenneth Knight, Co-Chair.

REPORT OF THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The Hospitality Committee of the Worcester County Horticultural Society is an extremely active one that depends entirely on faithful volunteers.

We began our term with a morning coffee at the Society library, where we (as Georgia so nicely put it last year) "coerced" members and friends to sign up to be a hostess at a flower show for the coming year. Several garden Club representatives were willing to fill a time or a day for us, and for their extra help we are extremely grateful. The remaining vacancies throughout the season were filled by members of our committee.

We personally staffed and provided light refreshments for the Garden Awards, Winter Lectures, and the Trustees' Meetings held at the hall. Volunteers hosted seven flower shows from March to November.

Our term ended with the Harvest Festival, at which time we gave a Cider and Sherry party for members and their guests. It was extremely well attended.

Despite the many hours we spent on the telephone rounding up volunteers, we found this experience to be both rewarding and enjoyable.

One possible suggestion for the future might be that the new chairman begin her term after the first Trustees' Meeting. January is an extremely busy month for the Society, and it is most difficult to acquire a group of volunteers in such a short period of time.

We extend grateful thanks to our committee, to Georgia for getting us started, to Ed for never failing to have the coffee ready, and who was always available when we needed something extra, and to Fayre and Harlan for their helpful advice.

Beverly Goodale
Carol Ann Morris, Co-Chairmen
Hospitality Committee

REPORT OF THE FRUIT COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

This past year, 113 scion orders were processed totaling shipment of 1,232 apple scions. Ten early orders shipped during January and February. The balance shipped to 24 other states in March and April. 146 budsticks and a commercial nursery order of 1,500 buds shipped in August.

Demand for old apple scions has decreased measurably in the past three years as follows:

1974	4,100
1975	2,100
1976	1,232

Due to the increase in shipping charges, it was necessary to double the price of scions and buds in the past two years.

Our 1977 scion-bud contract negotiated with Creeper Hill Orchard has doubled in cost. However, the Davenport Preservation Sturbridge Orchard will provide perhaps 30% of our requirements this year.

Our present 60 old apple varieties will be increased by seven, namely Jefferis, Shepards Sweeting, Pumpkin Russet, Roman Stem, Pewaukee, Dyer and Pomme Grise. This additional seven group are very popular by indication of early orders. A limit of one scion per variety, on a first come first serve basis. Hopefully, another year will double the new list.

Thirteen additional varieties totaling 26 trees from our search list have been ordered for April planting. This planting will complete the orchard space at Sturbridge.

The Tree Certification (trueness to name) is being continued with the assistance of Prof. James Anderson of the University of Massachusetts.

The Annual Joint Fruit Committee Meeting was held in August at the Davenport Preservation Sturbridge Orchard. A tour of the orchard was made by members. The problem of apple storage and fruit handling was discussed.

Many interesting letters received and answered throughout the year - some complimenting our scion program, also telling us of their success with our grafts, which now are producing apples.

Apple specimens were shipped to us for identification - many of which turned out to be the nature's old dependable pasture variety.

S. James Mistark, Chairman
Preservation Orchard & Fruit Com.

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The Scholarship Committee held two meetings during the year. The first meeting in February was a planning meeting.

A letter from the President of the Society was to be sent to the schools indicating the rules and regulations for the applicants. The deadline for applications was set for May 1.

In May, the committee met to review the scholarship applications. Ten applications were received. After reviewing the applications, six students were selected to be awarded the scholarships. With $1,000 allotted for the scholarship fund, the committee approved awarding four at $200 and two at $100.

The recipients were:

Robbin Brennen, Holden	$200
Kathy Menard, Fitchburg	$200
Deborah Bundza, Worcester	$200
Mark Coffin, Hubbardston	$200
Karl Smith, Worcester	$100
Vincent Anton, Worcester	$100

The committee wishes to thank Mr. Palmer Bigelow for his generosity and help in raising money for the scholarship fund by the sale of spring bulbs at the time of the Dahlia Show. We appreciate the time and effort of the members who assisted at the sale. The money realized from the sale of the bulbs is a welcome addition to the scholarship fund.

Arthur J. O'Mara, Chairman
Scholarship Committee

REPORT OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

Young people in Worcester County participated in every show and event sponsored by the Society this year. Table Settings and Educational Exhibits added to the lovely exhibits.

The Garden Contest was held as usual with eighty gardens throughout the area. There were also fifteen gardens in a community plot in Fitchburg. Two work-study students, sponsored by 4-H, Charlene Davis and Fred Connor from the University of Massachusetts, inspected the gardens throughout the summer.

We are grateful to Mr. Howard Borggaard and Mr. Arthur J. O'Mara for the final judging. They gave special attention to each child with helpful and encouraging advice.

We did have just a few box gardens at the Jacob Edward Library in Southbridge. Two CETA workers sponsored by 4-H planted them and also flowers in the yard with their club members there. The flowers were donated by Tony Krukas of the Hillsville Nursery in Spencer. Petunias also donated by Mr. Krukas were planted at the Millbury 4-H Clubhouse.

It has been a good year for the gardens which generated enthusiasm to continue gardening by many young people.

Olive Prunier, Chairman
Youth Committee

MEMBERSHIP 1976

During 1976, 127 Annual Members joined our Society, 2 changed from Annual to Life. We have lost 15 by death and 101 failed to renew. The present membership is 1,123.

Following are listed new members in 1976:

Annual

Mrs. Rita Ahlfors
Ms. Ruth L. Anderson
Ms. Nancy Antos
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony J. Barca
Mr. & Mrs. Merrill S. Bergstrom
Mr. & Mrs. Nils Bjork
Miss Sylvia Bowman
Mr. & Mrs. Douglas L. Brennen
Mr. & Mrs. H. Paul Buckingham, III
Mr. & Mrs. George A. Cardin
Mr. Philip S. Cares
Mr. & Mrs. Robert E. Chapman, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Nikitas Chrysostom
Mr. Ernest A. Coffin
Margaret E. Collins & Elizabeth M. Collins
Miss Helen E. Comstock
Miss Mabel V. Conway
Mr. Pierre A. Cournoyer
Miss Alice Crowley
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Cunningham
Miss Mary Curley
Mr. & Mrs. Leon O. Dalbeck
Mrs. Bayard T. DeMallie
Mr. & Mrs. William P. Densmore
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Dow
Mr. Matt Doyle
Mrs. William Dupsha
Mrs. Madelyene N. Dyer
Mr. & Mrs. George Edwards
Mrs. Gilbert F. Endicott
Mrs. Elzena English
Mr. & Mrs. James J. Farrell
Mr. & Mrs. Rene Ferron & Family
Mrs. George M. FitzPatrick
Mr. & Mrs. William R. Forrest
Mrs. Ina E. Gordon
Miss Ruth L. Gough
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph H. Gowetz
Miss B. May Griffiths
Mrs. Joseph E. Hannigan, Sr.
Mr. & Mrs. Stanley M. Havens
Dr. & Mrs. George W. Hazzard
Mr. Richard W. Hedge
Mr. & Mrs. Chandra Hedge
Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Heirtzler
Dr. & Mrs. Lemuel Higgins
Miss Priscilla Higgins
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Hinckley
Mrs. Catharine H. Hodgson
Mr. & Mrs. Robert E. Hoss
Mrs. Gladys C. Housel
Mr. Gene Hughes
Miss Blanche Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. Henry P. Johnson, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. George E. Kellstrand
Mrs. Jean F. Kestigian
Miss Kathleen F. Kirby
Mr. & Mrs. John D. Klump
Miss Lisa Kowal
Mrs. David Krashes
Mrs. Paul H. Libbey
Mrs. Brayton Lincoln
Mr. James D. Long
Mrs. Helen S. Love
Mr. Keith A. MacAdams
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Makynen
Mr. & Mrs. Peter A. Marcasciano
Mr. Donald E. Marsan
Miss Laura S. Martin
Mr. & Mrs. John P. McGuinness
Mrs. Jennie McRae
Mr. David Mercado
Mr. & Mrs. Roger Mezitt
Mr. & Mrs. Everett Mink
Mr. Charles F. Moody
Mr. Peter H. Moog
Mrs. Marguerite Moore
Mr. & Mrs. William A. Moore
Mr. & Mrs. Robert J. Morris
Mrs. Lucy A. Mowry
Mr. Harrison L. Neylon
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Ormondroyd
Mrs. Robert W. Palm
Mr. & Mrs. James P. Palmer
Dr. & Mrs. Clarence Peterson
Mrs. Theresa Pezzole
Mr. & Mrs. Frederick A. Randell
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Richardson
Miss Grace C. Roach
Mrs. Zane H. Roberts
Miss Blanche J. Robinson
Dr. & Mrs. Herbert Rose
Mr. & Mrs. David Ruml
Mr. Arthur F. Rummel

MEMBERSHIP 1976
(Continued)

Mrs. Arnold L. Rustay
Mr. & Mrs. Carleton Ryerson
Mr. Curtiss L. Schervee
Mr. & Mrs. James A. Shea
Mrs. Shirley A. Shepard
Mr. Paul T. Shusas
Mrs. Eleanor Skutel
Mr. & Mrs. Norman L. Slocum
Mr. & Mrs. H. D. Solomon
Mrs. Charles F. Spencer
Miss Mary D. Spencer
Miss Mildred A. Squires
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Sroczynski
Mrs. William C. Steele
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth H. Stewart
Mr. Leonard J. Stokowski
Mr. & Mrs. Brian T. Sullivan
Mr. Warren S. Summers
Mrs. Eve Tamosiunas
Mrs. Robert G. Thrower
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Treschel
James E. Vaida Family
Mrs. Ella Walsh
Mr. & Mrs. Francis Walsh
Miss Evelyn W. Ward
Mrs. Paul F. Ware
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Weagle
Mr. W. Holt Whiting
Mr. Harvey A. Whitmore
Mrs. James T. Wilcox
Mr. & Mrs. Guy S. Williams,Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. James C. Wilmot
Ms. Helen M. Wyman

The following members have passed away since the 1975 Annual Meeting:

Mrs. John E. Auchmoody	Sturbridge
Mrs. Noe N. Benoit	Millbury
Mr. Gordon S. Butler	Worcester
Mrs. Winifred E. Dahlstrom	West Boylston
Mr. Donald H. Dalbeck	Florida
Mr. Samuel T. Gow	Worcester
Mrs. Philip B. Heywood	Worcester
Mr. J. Adam Holbrook	Worcester
Mr. Arthur P. Howard	Worcester
Dr. Ernest F. Leclaire	Oxford
Dr. Erwin C. Miller	Worcester
Mrs. Clairmont B. Standish	Spencer
Mrs. Harrison G. Taylor	Worcester
Mr. E. Sumner Thayer	No. Grafton
Mr. Warren D. Tucker	Shrewsbury

REPORT OF GARDEN TOURS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The Garden Tours continue to be well attended to the extent that two busses holding about 40 each are usually required.

Starting last May 11, "The Tour of Beauty and History", the first overnight adventure, was to Wilmington, Delaware, featuring the fabulous Dupont and Longwood gardens, with a stop on the way at the unbelievable Duke Gardens under glorified greenhouses. The atmosphere and service at the Hotel Dupont was a refreshing reminder of what a good hotel can be.

Through the thoughtfulness and courtesy of our Tour Directors, Harlan and Georgia Pierpont, the practically non-stop trip home was enlivened with a sherry party on the bus, before we settled down comfortable to relax for a few hours on the way.

Each month during the summer, a trip for-a-day was offered, including the Heritage Plantation for the Rhododendrons in May at Sandwich; open houses, and a flower show in Essex, Conn. with a picnic on the Grose Estate; a tour of Strawberrie Bank in Portsmouth, N. H. with a fine lunch at The Pier, and in the afternoon, a visit to the authentically restored and furnished Moffatt Ladd House with a delightful garden party where we were received by Mr. & Mrs. C. Lane Goss and Mrs. Bradford Kingman, who now live in that area.

The last tour of the season was to the famous Chrysanthemum gardens with their fall coloring, and a stop at the Clock and Watch Museum in Bristol, Conn.

The plans are now complete for our first trip this year, May 18 and 19. We will head for the Brooklyn Botanical Gardens and from there go over to Long Island to our hotel. The next day we will go to Planting Fields - a famous conservancy - and to the Old Westbury Gardens. Please stop in the library, upstairs, where an extensive display of plans and description are posted. Reservations are now being made and will be limited to 40.

I would like to express to Harlan, the appreciation of us all for his advance research - sometimes a "dry run" with Georgia - and meticulous detail which all add up to make our tours comfortable and happy.

Marguerite J. Longstreet, Chairman
Garden Tours Committee

REPORT OF JUDGE OF FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The number of entries in the Flower Arrangement class at the summer shows was very disappointing. At many shows, there were only three or four arrangements. Every effort should be made to stimulate more interest among the members in this area.

Interest in the children's show was very gratifying. Several children entered flower arrangements in both the junior and senior classes. A very popular entry in both groups was flowers on a mirror. The Table Settings by the children showed that much time and thought had been given to the theme called for in the show. They should be praised and encouraged for their efforts. I hope the enthusiasm of the children will continue to increase. At both of the children's shows this year, there appeared to be more entries than in previous years.

The silver bowl, offered by Sharfman Jewelers, was awarded at both the spring and fall shows. At the Spring Show, the winner was determined by popular vote. At the Fall Show, it was presented for the best hall table in the show.

Arrangement of dried materials created more interest than the arranging of fresh summer flowers. This was evident by the many entries of dried arrangements at the Harvest Festival in November. Holiday wreaths, using both natural and dried materials, were very attractively displayed on the side walls of the hall at this show.

I appreciate the help given to me by other judges who kindly offered their time and assistance to me in judging the shows.

Richard V. Salo
Judge of Flower Arrangements

REPORT OF THE FRUIT JUDGE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

This past year was a duplicate of 1975. A mild winter, lots of snow cover followed by a warm spring. Lots of fruit time bloom, but pollination only fair at best. However, the apple crop averaged out very well due to larger sized fruit. The wild pasture apples in Worcester County area were very sparce.

The Spring Show featured a superb quality of apples displayed by Keown Orchards.

The June show ushered in several high quality Strawberry displays, followed by the two day July shows displaying excellent assortment of Raspberries, Blueberries, Gooseberries, Blackberries and a few early apples. Good displays of Apples, Peaches, Blueberries, Pears and Grapes were displayed in both August and September shows. A very interesting display by Creeper Hill Orchards of Old Apple Varieties harvested from the original Davenport old variety orchard was shown in November.

As time moves on, fewer fruit exhibits are brought into the show but the quality continues to be par excellent, thanks to the dedicated exhibitors and everyone who helped to put together our shows.

S. James Mistark
Judge of Fruit

REPORT OF THE JUDGE OF VEGETABLES

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

We held some delightful shows this past year and the material placed on display was of excellent quality. This year had considerably fewer plates than 1975 and the reason for that I do not know. The last two shows had an almost identical number of plates displayed, with quite a variance in numbers in the earlier shows. The variety of material shown at the last show was exceptional and was of the highest quality, considering the time of year.

I would like at this time to congratulate the exhibitors on the excellence of their material and the splendid results created by their displays.

As usual, it was a distinct pleasure to act as Judge of Vegetables again this year.

I wish to thank Dr. Rockwood Thayer and James Mistark for their assistance throughout the year.

Howard L. Borggaard
Judge of Vegetables

REPORT OF HERB & WILDFLOWER JUDGE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

Too early spring....heat....drought....none of these frustrations of the vegetable and flower gardener have much effect on the wild flower and herb exhibitors. Anyone who enjoys roaming the fields and woods... or just thru a vacant city lot... can usually find some plants in joyful bloom. And herbs....they are truly for worry-free growing!

Our exhibits this year... in both categories... were excellent. The herb classes, especially, displayed much variety and imagination with exhibits of potpourri, wreaths and lots of recipes for tasty concoctions. I'm sure the viewers learned a great deal from these displays.

Tho some of our regular exhibitors in these classes have dropped out, new people have come to take their places. From 3 - 5 exhibits in each class was usual .... except for the Children's Exhibits which are always very full.

There seems to be a real interest in wild flower and herb exhibits; I've watched viewers studying these displays with great concentration. Wild flower study.... or herbs..... seem like such fascinating family-type interests. I'm surprised more of our members don't enter these classes. The WCHS Library is full of fine books to help you!

Virginia Howie
Wild Flower/Herb Judge

REPORT OF THE WINTER LECTURES COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The Lecture Committee has arranged for four lectures. Today, January 20, we have our old friend George H. Pride speaking on Gardens of Monte Carlo and the Riviera.

In February a knowledgeable member of our Society, S. James Mistark will talk about Berries and Brambles.

We have an interesting lecture in March on Sink Gardens given by Mr. & Mrs. H. Lincoln Foster.

Dr. Vernon Ahmadjian, A professor at Clark University, will help you become familiar with the Common Families of Flowering Plants in Worcester County, his subject for the April lecture.

Marjorie W. Lodding, Chairperson
Winter Lectures Committee

REPORT OF GARDEN AWARDS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

May I express my thanks to the members of this committee - Miss Arms, Mrs. Comstock, Mrs. Stoddard, Mr. Knowlton and Mr. Cutting.

This committee's activity is very rewarding. You have the opportunity to visit and photograph outstanding gardens.

Last Friday, twenty-seven awards were given. It is a pleasure to report that three of these were to churches.

John E. Auchmoody, Chairman
Garden Awards Committee

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The Publicity scrapbook shows how good the local newspapers have been to us. Many thanks to Mr. Everett Hutchins for his work in keeping the scrapbooks up to date.

Harlan Pierpont's article about the Preservation Orchard in AMERICAN HORTICULTURE this year has been a fine public relations effort, and many inquiries have come in to the Society as a result of it. Barbara Hastings did an excellent story on March 28, in the "Sunday Morning" section of the Worcester Sunday Telegram, about the Preservation Orchard. And the same Sunday, some material sent in September, 1975, to Joan Faust, New York Times Garden Editor, suddenly made its appearance in an interesting general article on Home Orchards by Fred Lape of the George Landis Arboretum. All three articles have been photocopied and continue to be distributed by the Society.

We have used radio stations to publicize our shows more this year, with good results: a postcard to "Public Service Announcements", Station WXYZ, usually gets a mention or two of the event in question, and people seem to listen.

LIVING, the "leisure" section of the Sunday Telegram, has a new editor and a new format, which seems to leave little space for gardening news. Mr. Pierpont plans a visit before long.

Martha A. Cowan, Chairman
Public Relations Committee

TO INSURE THE FUTURE OF THE SOCIETY, ALL MEMBERS ARE URGED TO REMEMBER IT IN THEIR WILLS.

Bequests and other benefactions in behalf of the Worcester County Horticultural Society should be indicated as follows:

1. UNRESTRICTED BEQUEST

I hereby give and bequeath to the Worcester County Horticultural Society, Worcester, Massachusetts, the sum of $

2. BEQUEST RESTRICTED AS TO PURPOSE

I hereby give and bequeath to the Worcester County Horticultural Society, Worcester, Massachusetts, the sum of $
the income or principal or both to be used for the following purpose:

3. BEQUEST - INCOME ONLY TO BE USED FOR STATED PURPOSE

I hereby give and bequeath to the Worcester County Horticultural Society, Worcester, Massachusetts, the sum of $
the net income only to be used as follows:

4. BEQUEST TO BE ADDED TO ENDOWMENT FUNDS

I hereby give and bequeath to the Worcester County Horticultural Society, Worcester, Massachusetts, the sum of $
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Horticultural Building
30 Elm Street
Worcester, Mass.

For the year

1978

THE ATTENTION OF EXHIBITORS IS PARTICULARLY CALLED TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GENERAL AND SPECIAL

Juniors and Seniors may exhibit in any of the regular exhibits of the Society

WILD FLOWER GUIDE

The following list is recommended as a guide which may help plant collectors who hope to display *Wild Flowers* at the Worcester County Horticultural Society Exhibits. For further information contact N.E. Wild Flower Society, Framingham, Mass. 01701.

Group I

Not to be shown at any time.

	COMMON NAME
1) Aletris farinosa	Colic root
2) All orchids except #6 and 11 in Group II	
3) Asclepias tuberosa	Butterfly-weed
4) Castilleja coccinea	Painted-cup
5) Clematis verticillaris	Purple Virgin's Bower
6) Dicentra canadensis	Squirrel Corn
7) Dicentra cucullaria	Dutchman's Breeches
8) Epigaea repens	Mayflower
9) Gentiana crinita	Fringed Gentian
10) Linnaea borealis	Twin Flower
11) Lobelia cardinalis	Cardinal Flower
12) Orontium aquaticum	Golden Club
13) Pentstemon (all)	Pentstemon
14) Rhododendron maximum	Rhododendron

Group II

Not to be pulled up; parts above the roots may be shown with moderation.

	COMMON NAME
1) Actaea pachypoda	White Baneberry
2) Actaea rubra	Red Baneberry
3) Aquilegia canadensis	Columbine
4) Calluna vulgaris	Heather
5) Claytonia caroliniana	Spring Beauty
6) Cypripedium acaule	Pink Ladies' Slipper
7) Dentaria diphylla	Toothwort
8) Genista tinctoria	Genista
9) Gentiana andrewsii	Closed Gentian
10) Gentiana linearis	Narrow-leaved Gentian
11) Habenaria lacera	Ragged Fringed Orchid
12) Hepatica americana	Hepatica
13) Lilium canadense	Canada Lily
14) Lilium philadelphicum	Wood Lily
15) Sarracenia purpurea	Pitcher Plant
16) Viola pubescens	Yellow Violet

Group III

All others may be shown, but use judgment in picking.
Never pick the last specimen.
Flowers under cultivation are not classed as *Wild Flowers.*

CHILDREN'S EXHIBITIONS TO BE HELD

Saturday, July 22 in conjunction with the HEMEROCALLIS SHOW, and August 17 with the GLADIOLUS SHOW.

- Prizes will be given for other meritorious exhibits.
- Competition is open to all children under two classes:
  Seniors – 14 through 20 years
  Juniors – under 14 years (age as of January 1, of the current year)
  CHILDREN ARE FREE TO ENTER ANY OF THE CLASSES FOR ADULTS IF THEY SO ELECT.
- The exhibits of flowers and vegetables must be the results of individual effort of *the child from the time of planting to the arranging of the exhibit.*
- To insure space for your exhibit, please send in your entry list at least four days in advance. By so doing your cards will be made out ahead and ready for you.
- All exhibits of flowers and vegetables on July 22 must be in the Hall ready for inspection by the Judges by 12:00 noon. All exhibits on August 17 must be in the Hall ready for inspection by the Judges by 12:30 P.M.

  To facilitate setting up exhibits, a member of the Youth Committee will be on hand at Horticultural Hall the evening preceding each show from 7 to 9 P.M.
- All varieties of flowers and vegetables should be named.
- Each vase shall have two or more flowers except when otherwise specified.

  Artistic Arrangement of all flowers will be considered by the judges.
- In all exhibits of Wild Flowers, only those falling in Groups II and III may be shown. *Wild flowers under cultivation may not be shown in this class.* *(See Page 2)*
- At no time shall the exhibit contain more than one-third from Group II.
- The Judges may omit premiums for all inferior specimens.
- Society premiums will be paid on or after September 15.
- State award money will be sent out when received.
- Vases, plates and everything necessary for the exhibition of the flowers and vegetables will be furnished by the Horticultural Society.
- See Pages 16 and 17 for dates of other Youth Exhibits.

YOUTH COMMITTEE

1978	1979	1980
Arthur Levesque	Isabella Choate	Olive Prunier
Richard Jordan	Melinda Dow	Dorothea Mahoney

The rules and regulations, on page 3, should be read before participating in this show.

JUNIORS

Saturday, July 22

All articles must be in the hall by 12:00 o'clock

This exhibition will be open to the public from 1 to 6:00 P.M.

The exhibits must be the results of individual effort of the child from the time of planting to the arranging of the exhibit.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted Agricultural Prize money not to exceed $200 of the premiums awarded on this Junior and Senior list.

Open to Juniors, those under 14 years

Cut Flowers —

No. 1 - Display, not over 6 square feet 3.50 3.00 2.50 2.00 1.50

No. 2 - Artistic Flower Arrangement - $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Cosmos —

No. 3 - Vase 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75 .50

Zinnia —

No. 4 - Large flowered, 3 vases, 1 stem ea. 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75 .50

No. 5 - Small flowered, 3 vases, 3 stems ea 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75 .50

Petunias —

No. 6 - Single, plain-edged, 3 vases 1 stalk each 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75 .50

No. 7 - Single, fringed or ruffled, 3 vases 1 stalk each 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75 .50

No. 8 - Double, 3 vases, 1 stalk each 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75 .50

Marigold —

No. 9 - Large flowered, 3 vases, 1 stem ea. 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75 .50

No. 10 - Small flowered, 3 vases, 3 stems each $5.00 may be used for prizes.

Gladiolus —

No. 11 - Three vases, 1 spike in each to be named 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75 .50

Calendula —

No. 12 - Three vases, 1 stem each 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75 .50

Snapdragon —

No. 13 - Three vases, 1 stem each 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75 .50

Any Other Flower — (One Kind)

No. 14 - Three vases, 3 stems each $5.00 may be used for prizes

Perennial —

No. 15 - Specimen (stalk, spray, etc.)
One entry per person. $5.00 may be used for prizes

Flowers on a Mirror —

No. 16 - Small container, not over 5" in any dimension —
To be shown on a mirror $15.00 may be used for prizes

Wild Flowers — Named —

No. 17 - 5 vases, 3 stems —
Each to be named $10.00 may be used for prizes

No. 18 - *Artistic* arrangement $8.00 may be used for prizes
(See Rule on Wild Flowers — Page 2)

ELOUISE S. KNIGHT FUND

Table Setting — "Song Titles"

A. - Place settings for two or more.
Cloth or place mats, plates, water glass and napkin.
No silver. No restriction as to grower.
Notify the office one week in advance.
$30.00 may be used — 1st Prize not over $5.00.

Vegetables —

No. 19 - Display of vegetables —
Not to exceed 12 varieties 3.50 3.00 2.50 2.00

Beets —

No. 20 - Five specimens. $8.00 may be used for prizes

Summer Squash — Two specimens

No. 21 - Green - $8.00 may be used for prizes

No. 22 - Yellow - $8.00 may be used for prizes

String Beans —

No. 23 - 15 Pods — Yellow $8.00 may be used for prizes

No. 24 - 15 Pods — Green $8.00 may be used for prizes

Sweet Corn —

No. 25 - Five ears 1.50 1.00 .75 .50

Tomato, ripe —

No. 26 - Cherry Type - 10 specimens 1.50 1.00 .75 .50

Cabbage —

No. 27 - Two specimens 1.50 1.00 .75 .50

Carrots —

No. 28 - Five specimens 1.50 1.00 .75 .50

Cucumber —

No. 29 - Two specimens 1.50 1.00 .75 .50

Onion —

No. 30 - Five specimens 1.50 1.00 .75 .50

Potato —

No. 31 - 5 specimens 1.50 1.00 .75 .50

Any Other Vegetable —

No. 32 - $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Market Basket —

No. 33 - Half peck basket furnished $10.00 may be used for prizes

Edible Wild Berry —

No. 34 - One pint 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75 .50

The rules and regulations, on page 3, should be read before participating in this show.

SENIORS

Saturday, July 22

All articles must be in the Hall by 12:00 o'clock

The exhibits must be the results of individual effort of the child from the time of planting to the arranging of the exhibit.

Open to Seniors — 14 through 20 years

Cut Flowers —					
No. 35	Display, not over 9 square feet	4.00	3.50	3.00	2.50
No. 36	Artistic Arrangement	$8.00 may be used for prizes			
Cosmos —					
No. 37	Vase		1.00	.75	.50
Zinnia —					
No. 38	Large flowered, 3 vases, 1 stem ea.	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
No. 39	Small flowered, 3 vases, 3 stems ea.	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
Marigold —					
No. 40	Large flowered, 3 vases, 1 stem ea.		1.50	1.00	.75
No. 41	Small flowered, 3 vases, 3 stems ea.	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
Gladiolus —					
No. 42	Three vases, 1 spike in each — To be named		1.50	1.00	.75
Petunias —					
No. 43	Single, plain-edged, 3 vases 1 stalk each	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
No. 44	Single, fringed or ruffled, 3 vases 1 stalk each	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
No. 45	Double, 3 vases, 1 stalk each	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
Calendula —					
No. 46	Three vases, 1 stem each	1.50	1.00	.75	

Any Other Flower —

No. 47 - Three vases, 3 stems each $5.00 may be used for prizes

Flowers on a Mirror —

No. 48 - Small container, not over 5" in any dimension to be used. $8.00 may be used for prizes

Perennial —

No. 49 - Specimen (stalk, spray, etc.) — One entry per person. $5.00 may be used for prizes

Wild Flowers, named —

No. 50 - *Artistic* arrangement. $5.00 may be used for prizes
(See Rule on Wild Flowers - Page 2)

No. 51 - 5 vases, 3 stems each — To be named $10.00 may be used for prizes

Table Settings — "Song Titles"

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B. - Place settings for two or more.
Cloth or place mats, plates, water, glass and napkin.
No silver. No restriction as to grower.
Notify the office one week in advance.
$30.00 may be used for prizes — 1st Prize not over $5.00.

Vegetables —

No. 52 - Display of vegetables not to exceed 15 varieties	3.50	3.00	2.50	
Beets, named —				
No. 53 - Five specimens	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
Summer squash, named — two specimens				
No. 54 - Green -	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
No. 55 - Yellow -	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
String Beans, named —				
No. 56 - 15 pods - Yellow	$8.00 may be used for prizes			
No. 57 - 15 pods - Green	$8.00 may be used for prizes			
Potato, named —				
No. 58 - Five specimens	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
Sweet Corn, named —				
No. 59 - Five ears	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
Tomato, ripe (named) —				
No. 60 - Standard Type - 5 specimens	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
No. 61 - Cherry Type - 10 specimens	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
Cabbage, named —				
No. 62 - Two specimens	1.50	1.00	.75	.50

Carrots, named —				
No. 63 - Five specimens	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
Cucumber, named —				
No. 64 - Two specimens	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
Onion, named —				
No. 65 - Five specimens	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
Any Other Vegetable, named —				
No. 66 - $5.00 may be used for prizes				
Market Basket —				
No. 67 - Half peck basket furnished	$5.00 may be used for prizes			
Edible Wild Berry —				
No. 68 - One pint	1.50	1.00	.75	.50

The rules and regulations, on page 3, should be read before participating in this show.

JUNIORS

Thursday, August 17

All articles must be in the Hall by 12:30 o'clock

This exhibition will be open to the public from 2 to 8:00 P.M.

The exhibits must be the results of individual effort of the child from the time of planting to the arranging of the exhibit.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted Agricultural Prize money not to exceed $350 of the premiums awarded on this Junior and Senior List.

Open to Juniors, those under 14 years

Cut Flowers —

No. 68	- Display, not over 6 square feet	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00	.75
No. 69	- Artistic Flower Arrangement-$10.00 may be used for prizes						

Cosmos —

No. 70	- Vase	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50

Zinnia —

No. 71	- Large flowered, 3 vases, 1 stem each	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50
No. 72	- Small flowered, 3 vases, 3 stems each	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50

Petunias —

No. 73	- Single, plain-edged, 3 vases 1 stalk each	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50
No. 74	- Single, fringed or ruffled, 3 vases 1 stalk each	1.50	1.25	1.00	75	.50
No. 75	- Double, 3 vases, 1 stalk each	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50

Marigold —

No. 76	- Large flowered, 3 vases, 1 stem each	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50
No. 77	- Small flowered, 3 vases, 3 stems each	$8.00 may be used for prizes				

Calendula —

No. 78 - Three vases, 1 stem each 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75 .50

Any Other Flower —

No. 79 - Three vases, 3 stems each $5.00 may be used for prizes

Gladiolus —

No. 80 - Three vases, 1 spike in each, can be different varieties
To be named 3.00 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00 .75

Best Spike in the Class — Blue Ribbon and Norco Special Rosette —

Cactus & Succulents —

No. 81 - Display - $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Perennial —

No. 82 - Specimen (stalk, spray, etc.) —
One entry per person. $5.00 may be used for prizes

Flowers on a Mirror —

No. 83 - Small container not over 5" in any dimension —
To be shown on mirror. $15.00 may be used for prizes

Wild Flowers, named —

No. 84 - Five vases, 3 stems each —
To be named. $10.00 may be used for prizes

No. 85 - *Artistic* arrangement. $10.00 may be used for prizes
(See Rule on Wild Flowers — Page 2)

Herb Display —

No. 86 - Not over 10 vases. $5.00 may be used for prizes

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Table Settings — "Holidays Around the World"

C. - Place settings for two or more.
Cloth or place mats, plate, water, glass and napkin.
No silver. Accessories may be used.
No restriction as to grower.
Notify the office one week in advance.
$30.00 may be used for prizes — 1st Prize not over $5.00.

Vegetables —

No. 87 - Display of vegetables —
Not to exceed 12 varieties 3.00 2.50 2.00 1.75

Beets —						
No. 88 - Five specimens	$12.00 may be used for prizes					
Summer Squash — Two specimens						
No. 89 - Green	$8.00 may be used for prizes					
No. 90 - Yellow	$8.00 may be used for prizes					
String Beans —						
No. 91 - 15 pods — Yellow	$8.00 may be used for prizes					
No. 92 - 15 pods — Green	$8.00 may be used for prizes					
Potato —						
No. 93 - Five specimens		1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50
Sweet Corn —						
No. 94 - Five ears		1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50
Tomato, ripe —						
No. 95 - Standard Type - 5 specimens		1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50
No. 96 - Cherry Type - 10 specimens		1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50
Carrots —						
No. 97 - Five specimens		1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50
Cabbage —						
No. 98 - Two specimens		1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50
Cucumber —						
No. 99 - Two specimens		1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50
Green Peppers —						
No.100 - Five specimens		1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50
Onion —						
No.101 - Five specimens		1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50
Any Other Vegetable —						
No.102 - $10.00 may be used for prizes						
Market Basket —						
No. 102a - Half peck basket furnished	$10.00 may be used for prizes.					
Edible Wild Berry —						
No. 103 - One Pint		1.50	1.25	1.00	.75	.50

GERALD FALES MEMORIAL FUND

D. Patio Tomatoes or Tiny Tim
Plants growing in containers **$25.00 available**

The rules and regulations, on page 3, should be read before participating in this show.

SENIORS

Thursday, August 17

All articles must be in the Hall by 12:30 o'clock

The exhibits must be the results of individual effort of the child from the time of planting to the arranging of the exhibit.

Open to Seniors — 14 through 20 years

Cut Flowers —

No.104	- Display — not to exceed 9 square feet	4.00	3.50	3.00	2.50	2.00
No.105	- Artistic arrangement —	$8.00 may be used for prizes				

Cosmos —

No.106	- Vase	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75

Zinnia —

No.107	- Large flowered, 3 vases, 1 stem ea.	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
No.108	- Small flowered, 3 vases, 3 stems ea.	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75

Marigold —

No.109	- Large flowered, 3 vases, 1 stem ea.	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
No.110	- Small flowered, 3 vases, 3 stems ea.	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75

Gladiolus —

No.111	- Three vases, 1 spike in each, can be different varieties To be named	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50

Best Spike in the Class -- Blue Ribbon and Norco Special Rosette —

Petunia

No.113	- Single, plain-edged, 3 vases 1 stalk each	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
No.114	- Single, fringed or ruffled, 3 vases 1 stalk each	1.50	1.00	.75	.50
No.115	- Double, 3 vases, 1 stalk each	1.50	1.00	.75	.50

Calendula –

No. 116 - Three vases, 3 stems each 1.50 1.00 .75 .50

Any Other Flower –

No. 117 - Three vases, 1 stem each – $5.00 may be used for prizes

Flowers on a Mirror –

No. 118 - Small container not over 5" in any dimension to be used. $8.00 may be used for prizes

Perennial –

No. 119 - Specimen (stalk, spray, etc.) One entry per person – $5.00 may be used for prizes

Wild Flowers, named –

No. 120 - *Artistic* arrangement. $5.00 may be used for prizes
(See Rule on Wild Flowers – Page 2)

No. 121 - Five vases, 3 stems each To be named. $10.00 may be used for prizes

Herb Display –

No. 122 - Not over 10 vases. $5.00 may be used for prizes

Cactus & Succulents –

No. 123 - Display. - $15.00 may be used for prizes

ELOUISE S. KNIGHT FUND

Table Settings - "Holidays from Around the World"

E. - Place settings for two or more.
Cloth or place mats, plate, water, glass and napkin.
No silver. Accessories may be used.
No restriction as to grower.
Notify the office one week in advance
$30.00 may be used for prizes – 1st Prize not over $5.00.

Vegetables –

No. 124 - Display of vegetables not to exceed 15 varieties. 3.50 3.00 2.50

Beets, named –

No. 125 Five specimens 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75

Summer Squash, named – Two specimens

No. 126 - Green - 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75

No. 127 - Yellow - 1.50 1.25 1.00 .75

String Beans, named –

No. 128 - 15 pods – Yellow $8.00 may be used for prizes

No. 129 - 15 pods – Green $8.00 may be used for prizes

Potato, named —				
No.130 - Five specimens	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
Sweet Corn, named —				
No.131 - Five ears	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
Tomato, ripe, named —				
No.132 - Standard Type - 5 specimens	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
No.133 - Cherry Type - 10 specimens	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
Carrots, named —				
No. 134 - Five specimens	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
Cabbage, named —				
No. 135 - Two specimens	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
Cucumber, named —				
No.136 - Two specimens	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
Green Peppers, named —				
No. 137 - Five specimens	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
Onion, named —				
No. 138 - Five specimens	1.50	1.25	1.00	.75
Any Other Vegetable (named) —				
No.139 - $5.00 may be used for prizes				
Market Basket — Half peck basket furnished				
No.140 - $10.00 may be used for prizes				
Edible Wild Berry —				
No. 141 - One Pint	1.50	1.00	.75	.50

GERALD FALES MEMORIAL FUND

F. Patio Tomatoes or Tiny Tim
Plants growing in containers **$25.00 available**

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thursday - November 2 - 3:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. (Members only)
Friday - November 3 - 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.
Saturday - November 4 - 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.
Sunday - November 5 - 12 to 5:00 P.M.

All articles for this exhibition must be in the Hall and ready for inspection by the Judges by 12:30 P.M. on Thursday.

Terrarium- Includes Fern & Berry Globes

No. 928 - Children's Class $10.00 may be used

SAMUEL T. AND ANNA N. W. HOBBS FUND

M. - EDUCATIONAL CLASSES $100.00

No. 1 - Juniors under 14 years
No. 2 - Seniors — 14 through 20 years
No. 3 - Club or group exhibit

Special Class for Children from 10 to 19 years —
May be set up the night before.

No. 1014 - Juniors, under 14 years
A vase of dried material artistically arranged.
$10.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 1015 - Seniors - 14 through 20 years
A vase of dried material artistically arranged.
$15.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 1016 - Juniors, under 14 years
Two to five vegetable specimens, one variety, grown by the exhibitor. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 1017 - Seniors - 14 through 20 years
Two to five vegetable specimens, one variety, grown by the exhibitor. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 1018 - Vegetable Display - Children
$15.00 may be used for prizes.

Other children's classes will be held at the following shows of the Horticultural Society

Rose Show	Thursday	-	June 22, 1978
Lilies Show	Friday	-	July 14, 1978
	Saturday	-	July 15, 1978
Dahlia Show	Thursday	-	September 14, 1978

SPRING EXHIBITION - MARCH 1979

Free admission to exhibitors.

SAMUEL T. AND ANNA N. W. HOBBS FUND

A. – EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS $175.00

No. 1 - Juniors under 14 years
No. 2 - Seniors - 14 through 20 years
No. 3 - Club or group.

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For the year

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RULES MUST BE READ CAREFULLY

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

This "Schedule of Premiums" lists the Horticultural Society's exhibitions for the current year and the awards and prizes offered. Competition in these exhibitions is open to everyone, subject to the following general regulations:

1. All specimens offered for exhibition shall have been grown by the competitors, for at least two months previous to the date of exhibition, except in a class specifically marked "No restriction as to the grower".

2. No artificial plants, flowers or foliage preserved or altered by any process shall be exhibited at any show of this Society, except for a special purpose and with the consent of the Chairman of the Exhibition Committee.

3. Seedlings may be exhibited at any show and will receive appropriate recognition.

4. No individual, group, or organization will be permitted to introduce into the building as part of a display, any material of a promotional or advertising nature without the expressed written permission of the Chairman of the Exhibition Committee.

5. All articles for exhibition must be in the Hall and ready for inspection by the Judges as specified in the Exhibition Schedule.

6. All articles offered for premiums must remain within the Hall throughout the hours of Exhibition.

7. Vases for specimen classes and displays are available in the Hall if desired. Exhibitors in Flower Arrangement classes should provide their own vases. Water for flowers is obtainable in the West Room, Basement and 2nd floor.

8. All entries must be made by exhibitor to the Assistant Secretary and all cards made out by her or her assistants, except Single Spike Classes. Blank Tags are available in the Library.

9. No person shall make more than one entry of the same variety under the same class number.

10. Every exhibit entered in a class of named varieties should be correctly named.

11. When filled out and placed by the exhibit, the card of an exhibitor competing for premiums shall be reversed for anonymity and shall remain so until after premiums are awarded.

12. After the articles are arranged, they will be under the exclusive charge of the Judges and Committee of Arrangements, and not even the owners will have liberty to remove them until the Exhibition is closed.

13. While the Society will take reasonable precautions for the safety of the property of exhibitors, it will be responsible in no case for any loss or damage that may occur.

14. The Hall will be closed during judging as specified and will be open to the public at the proper time.

15. Premiums, ribbons, and special awards will be given at each exhibition according to this Schedule.

16. A Scale of Points used by Judges appears on page 7.

17. The Judges may omit premiums for all inferior specimens and may correct any errors that they think were without deliberate purpose.

18. Where a certain number or quantity of Plants, Flowers, Fruits or Vegetables is designated in the schedule, there must be neither more nor less than that number or quantity of specimens shown; and in no case can other varieties than those named in the Schedule be substituted.

19. Competitors may be required to share information as to their mode of cultivation.

20. The Judges may subdivide classes if conditions warrant.

21. No Judge shall require anything of competitors respecting their exhibits which is not distinctly specified in the Schedule.

22. In Table Decorations, Collections and Displays of Flowers, Fruits, Vegetables, Vases and Baskets, where the number of exhibits exceeds the number of premiums offered, the Judge may award prizes to any worthy exhibits not receiving a premium.

23. The Judges may correct, before the close of any exhibition, awards made by them, if satisfied that such were erroneous, and the decision of the Judges shall be final.

24. No exhibits may be removed until the Exhibition is closed. If an exhibitor wishes to retain exhibit, he must arrange to have it picked up immediately at closing.

25. All articles on a one-day show to be removed by the next day - unless that day falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Holiday.

26. No sale of Exhibition Fruit, Flowers or Vegetables shall be made in the building during the Show.

27. All premium checks that are not cashed within one year after the close of the official year will be forfeited to the Society.

28. The Committee on Arrangements has power to change the time of exhibition, if an earlier or later season renders such change desirable.

29. The same potted plants can be exhibited only once in a season, for prize money. All pot plants must have been in the possession of the exhibitor for at least two months prior to the show and have been growing in a pot during that time.

SPECIAL RULES

1. In all exhibits of Wild Flowers, no endangered species may be shown. A pamphlet showing different groups of wild flowers may be obtained from the New England Wildflower Society, Framingham, Mass. 01701.

2. In all exhibits of Lilies, the pollen may be removed.

3. In all exhibitions of Hardy Cut Flowers and Shrubs for competition, the number of blooms, clusters, sprays or spikes shown is not restricted. The Judge will consider the quality of the flowers rather than the quantity.

4. In all exhibits of Roses, minimum length of stem to be 6 inches except Flower Arrangements, Shrub Roses, and miniatures.

DEFINITION OF TERMS

Amateur: An amateur is defined as a grower raising plants or flowers for pleasure and not for sale and who does not enter into the regular scheduled classes.

Clone (Clon): Group, variety or variation of plants propagated by asexual or vegetative parts. Such races may not "come true" from seed. The horticultural varieties of roses, apples, oranges, strawberries and carnations are clones; also the cultivated forms of daylilies and plantain-lily (Hosta) that are not produced from seed. Clone or clon is a horticultural rather than a taxonomic term.

Collection: An assemblage of a number of kinds or varieties of flowers, plants, fruits and/or vegetables in one exhibit, the specific number and sorts of which should be regulated by the flower show schedule. Quality, variety, rarity, effectiveness and range of the particular group as well as horticultural perfection are considered in judging collections. Size of collection, without other qualifications, is unimportant.

Display: The term generally used for a group of flowers, fruits and/or vegetables, sometimes plants, covering a definite space or containing a definite number of specimens, or both, arranged to create an artistic effect. It is judged both for quality of materials and artistic effect. The term should be used where artistic effect is stressed rather than "collection".

Fern Globe - A container globose in shape whose principal plant type is ferns. Similarly a Berry Globe is globose, not square or rectangular, which contains mostly partridge berry plants.

Terrarium - A bio-community of plants arranged so as to reproduce a real or idealized microcosm of nature.

Kind: Genus. Type. The Royal Horticultural Society considers that for horticultural exhibitions and for general gardening use two terms only are necessary to designate plant material: Kind and variety. This ruling has much to recommend it. Kinds are such separate genera as peaches, apples, plums; peas, carrots, cabbages; roses, chrysanthemums, phloxes. Different types of the same genus are also considered as kinds for exhibition purposes: as snap beans and lima beans, dark grapes and white grapes.

Their rule book says: "As a general rule, for the purposes of exhibiting, all natural genera are kinds, and all variations within a genus are varieties". They make some exceptions which do not apply especially to us.

Variety: Variety as generally used in flower shows is a horticultural term used to designate a named species, hybrid or other horticultural development of a genus. Example: Golden Queen Tomato. See also kind. Used botanically, it is a division of a species, as Campanula Carpatica alba. Here Campanula is the genus, telling us that it is one of the bellflowers. Carpatica is the species, indicating that this particular group comes from the Carpathian mountains and alba (meaning white) is the variety name.

SCALE OF POINTS

Cut Flowers, Wild Flowers, Baskets, Standards & Displays

Quality of blooms (including condition and value)	50 points
Arrangement	20 "
Number of Varieties	15 "
Properly named	15 "

Collections –

Quality (including condition and value)	45 points
Arrangement	25 "
Variety	30 "

Table Decoration –

Design	20 points
Relation	15 "
Color	20 "
Perfection	20 "
Condition	10 "
Distinction	15 "

Flower Arrangements –

Design	20 points
Color	10 "
Suitability	20 "
Distinction	15 "
Originality	10 "
Condition	25 "

SPECIAL AWARDS

1969 - William T. Merrifield Award
Bronze Medal "For an exhibit of outstanding merit or interest" at any of our regular scheduled exhibitions.

1970 – Paul Whitin Award
Silver Medal – Awarded to an exhibit which, in the opinion of the Judges, has special educational merit.

1977 – S. Lothrop Davenport Award
Silver Vase awarded to a Garden Display at the Spring Show for excellence in Charm and Atmosphere.

SPECIAL FUNDS

OF THE WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The following is a list of the Special Funds of the Worcester County Horticultural Society, the income of which is devoted to the purpose stated. The date prefixed to each indicates the year in which the fund was established.

1888 - **Francis Henshaw Dewey Fund — $1,000.00**
Income to be used for the purchase of books.

1898 - **Williams Eames Fund — $500.00**
Income to be used for prizes for the promotion of apple culture.

1906 - **Frederick A. Blake Fund — $1,000.00**
Income only to be used in providing Medals to be awarded to the originators of new varieties of Fruits or Flowers, preference always being given to residents of Worcester County.

In case that the Worcester County Horticultural Society does not find occasion to award Medals for New Fruits or Flowers, the said income may be used for special premiums for Orchids or other choice Greenhouse Plants and Flowers.

1907 - **Obadiah Brown Hadwen Fund — $1,000.00**

Unrestricted

1922 - **Edwin Draper Fund — $300.00**
Income to be used for prizes for Horticultural exhibitions held under the direction of said Society.

1924 **Miss Frances Clary Morse Fund — $500.00**
Income to be used for prizes for Flowers.

1939 - **The Miss Lucy M. Coulson Fund — $1,000.00**
Income to be used for prizes for Flowers.

1943 - **G. A. Bigelow Fund — $1,000.00**
Income to be used for meritorious garden grown exhibits of Roses.

1955 - **Chandler Bullock Fund — $1,000.00**
Income to be used for prizes for Small Fruits.

1957 - **Miss Elizabeth R. Bishop Fund — $500.00**
Income to be used for prizes for Lilies.

1958 - **Samuel T. and Anna N. W. Hobbs Fund — $5,000.00**
Income to be used for the promotion of children's interest in Horticulture.

1959 - Edward Winslow Lincoln Fund — $1,000.00
Unrestricted

1967 - National Association of Gardeners — $1,160.00
Worcester Chapter 80% of income to be used for scholarships.

1968 - Cook - Davey Fund — $600.00
Income to be used for new varieties of Fruits or for the Scholarship Fund.

1970 - Elouise S. Knight Memorial Fund — $1000.00
Income to be used to promote the interest of children in Horticulture, especially by means of Cash Awards for exhibits.

1970 — Gerald Fales Memorial Fund — $1,000.00 Income to be used for prizes for tomatoes, gladioli, roses or for general purposes of the society.

1970 — The Thayer Fund — $2,000.00
Income to be used for prizes to encourage young people in the raising of fruit, particularly apples and pears, or for scholarships.

1971 — Edward A. Bigelow Fund—$1,000.00
Income to be used for prizes for Lilies.

1971 — George B. Slater Fund — $470.00
Income to be used for Silver Medal to be awarded "For a distinguished exhibit" at any of our regular scheduled exhibitions.

1973 - Harvie Channin Educational Fund — $1,992.00
80% of income to be used to foster interest in Horticulture and Ecology among young people.

1976 - Mrs. Edward A. Bigelow Fund - $1,000.00
Income to be used for prized for Flower Arrangements.

1976 - Myron F. Converse Memorial Fund - $10,000.00
One half of the income to be used for the purchase of books and the other half to be used for Rose or other premiums for the Society's flower shows.

1978 - Warren I. Higgins Fund - $1,000.00
Income to be used for prizes for flowers, house plants or such other prizes.

1972 - Sharfman's Award

Silver Bowl - Spring and Fall Shows for Table Setting Contest or other Meritorious Exhibit in Table Setting or Garden Club Exhibit. Winners name to be inscribed on large Silver Bowl retained at Hall, but which may be kept by anyone winning three times. A smaller bowl to winner each show.

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

SPRING FLOWER SHOW

COMMITTEE: JOHN KONING, Chairman
WILLARD BANNING
JOHN BOOMER
LEWIS HODGKINSON
MARJORIE LODDING
THOMAS SIMONE
DOROTHY WYLIE

Thursday, March 2, 5 - 8 Members' Reception

OPENING:	**Friday, March 3**	**9 A.M. to 9 P.M.**
	Saturday, March 4	**9 A.M. to 9 P.M.**
	Sunday, March 5	**1 P.M. to 9 P.M.**
	Monday, March 6	**9 A.M. to 9 P.M.**
	Tuesday, March 7	**9 A.M. to 4 P.M.**

All articles for this exhibition must be in the hall and ready for inspection by the Judges by 11 A.M. Thursday.

SPECIAL ART EXHIBITION - by Public School children of the first 6 grades.

SPECIAL AWARDS

Special awards will be given for Garden Displays at the discretion of the Judges. An exhibitor may receive only one of these awards.

1. For excellence in design and consistency silver medal presented by Mr. & Mrs. Robert W. Stoddard.

2. For excellence in suitability and quality of plant material silver medal presented by Mr. & Mrs. Milton P. Higgins.

3. The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted agricultural prize money not to exceed $2,100.00 of the premiums awarded on this list, Rosettes for outstanding exhibits and one Silver Tray.

This tray will be awarded to the "Most Meritorious Exhibit", namely, that exhibit receiving the highest point score.

4. The Horticultural Club of Boston award for "Horticultural Perfection".

GARDEN DISPLAYS: No restrictions as to grower.

I. Exhibitors occupying stage or center of Main Hall approximately 400 square feet. $900.00 will be available.

II. Exhibitors occupying one of four corners of Main Hall approximately 350 square feet. $800.00 will be available.

III. Exhibitors occupying small (front lobby) or larger (whole West Hall) areas will find awards available commensurate with the size of their garden.

Scale of points by which the above classes are to be judged.

Design and Consistency	30 points
Suitability & Quality	20 points
Charm & Atmosphere	15 points
Color Harmony	10 points
Seasonability	10 points
Originality of Design	10 points
Correct Labeling	5 points
	100 points

Premiums will be awarded on a point system. If accessories are used, they will be judged under design and consistency to scale and undercharm and atmosphere.

Prize money for Garden Displays, I, II, or III above is based approximately upon $2.25 per sq. ft. For example, a 400 foot display at $2.25 per sq. ft. makes a top prize of $900.00 provided the display is judged to receive 100 points. If a display is judged to receive 90 points, then the prize awarded for that display will be 90% of $900.00 or $810.00.

SPECIAL DISPLAYS:

IV.	Plant Displays - Commercial - 50 sq. ft. Notify office 1 week in advance	$300.00
V.	Plant Display - Non-Commercial - 12 sq. ft. Outstanding specimen plants not more than 3 Notify office 1 week in advance	$ 75.00
VI.	Hanging Plant - Foliage or flowering	$ 50.00
VII.	Cut Flowers	$ 75.00
VIII.	Gesneriads No. 1 Display - not over 25 sq. ft. No. 2 Three Specimen Plants $6.00 $5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00 Notify office 1 week in advance	$ 50.00
IX.	Orchids	$100.00
X.	Apples - Old Fashioned or Current Varieties Display, 3' x 5'	$125.00

XI. Spring Bulbs:
No. 1 One pot Daffodils, Hyacinths or Tulips
$5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00
No. 2 One pot other Spring Bulbs $5.00 $4.00

XII. Table Settings - "Song Titles" Song to be named.
Dinner Table with four place settings
Accessories permitted
No restriction as to grower Money available
Sharfman Award

XIII. Terrarium - Non-commercial - for competition $100.00
Notify the office at least one week in advance.

XIV. Arrangements - using shrubs, evergreens, foliage and large leaves (no flowers). Native or tropical material permitted. Arrangement in container, urn or large vase suitable for pedestal. Prizes to be awarded.
Notify the office one week in advance. Not for competition.
For florists only.

SAMUEL T. AND ANNA N.W. HOBBS FUND

A. Educational Exhibits:
No. 1 - Juniors under 14 years
No. 2 - Seniors - 14 through 20
No. 3 - Club or group

$175.00 may be used for prizes

XV. Educational Exhibits - Adults $50.00 may be used for prizes

WORCESTER COUNTY GARDEN CLUBS EXHIBIT
"Doorway Gardens of Different Architectural Periods"

Merry Weeders Garden Club
Worcester Garden Club
Westboro Garden Club
Princeton Garden Club
West Boylston Garden Club
Sterling Garden Club
Tatnuck Garden Club
Temple Sinai Garden Club
Holden Garden Club **$300.00**

Tea Room - Marjorie Lodding, *Co-Chairman*
Ernestine Blanchard, *Co-Chairman*

ROSE EXHIBITION

Please refer to Exhibition Rules on pages 3 to 6.

COMMITTEE: DR. & MRS. H. LEE WYLIE, Co-Chairmen
MR. & MRS. CARROLL AKELEY, Hon. Chairmen
MR. EDWARD CLIFFORD
MR. BARTOW KELLY
MR. & MRS. CARTER LEE

Thursday, June 22 — 2:00 to 8:00 P.M.

All articles for this exhibition must be in the hall and ready for inspection by the Judges by 12:30 o'clock.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted Agricultural Prize Money not to exceed $250.00 of the premiums awarded on this list.

Roses (See Special Rule 4)

No. 100 -	Twelve blooms of named varieties of Hybrid Perpetual roses, outdoor culture	$4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00
No. 101 -	Six blooms of named varieties of Hybrid Perpetual roses, outdoor culture	$3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 102 -	Twelve blooms of named varieties of Hybrid Tea roses, outdoor culture	$4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00

Special Prizes

MISS FRANCES C. MORSE FUND

A. Six blooms of named varieties of H. T. roses, outdoor culture. $12.00 may be used for prizes.

Prize Rose — not confined to exhibitors of Worcester County.

Ribbons will be awarded — First, Second, Third

No. 103-H. T., red and red blend, one bloom

No. 104-H. T., pink and pink blend, one bloom

No. 105-H. T., yellow and yellow blend, one bloom

No. 106-H. T., white, one bloom

No. 107-H. T., orange, one bloom

No. 108-H. T., any other color

No. 109-Floribundas, red and red blend, one main stem

No. 110-Floribundas, pink and pink blend, one main stem

No. 111-Floribundas, yellow and yellow blend, main stem

No. 112-Floribundas, orange and orange blend, one main stem

No. 113-Floribundas, white, one main stem

No. 113a-Floribundas, any other color

No. 114-Shrub Roses, any named variety

No. 115-Grandiflora, red and red blend, one main stem

No. 116-Grandiflora, pink and pink blend, one main stem

No. 117-Grandiflora, yellow and yellow blend, one main stem

No. 118-Grandiflora, orange and orange blend, one main stem

No. 119-Grandiflora, white, one main stem

No. 120-Old Roses, one stem

No. 121-Miniatures, one stem

No. 122-Any other species or variety

Best Roses in the Show — King, Queen & Princess, Special Recognition

The "Prize Rose" classes will be selected from all classes in show except Displays - the rose must be a named variety, the minimum length of stem shall be at least six inches and the rose offered for exhibition shall be from a bush grown by the exhibitor for at least two months previous to the date of exhibition.

MYRON F. CONVERSE MEMORIAL FUND

B. H.T. (Introductions within the last five years)
$10.00 may be used and Blue Ribbon

C. Floribundas (Introductions within the last five years)
$10.00 may be used and Blue Ribbon

— Use Jackson-Perkins and Conard-Pyle Catalogues —

D. Collection of cut roses, at least six varieties
$75.00 may be used for prizes

E. Vase of Floribundas $3.00 2.00 1.00

F. Vase of Grandifloras $3.00 2.00 1.00

G. Vase H.P. roses, not to exceed 10 blooms
$3.00 2.00 1.00

H. Vase H.T. roses, not exceeding 10 blooms
$3.00 2.00 1.00

I. Display of cut climbing roses
$25.00 may be used for prizes

J. Basket of roses $4.00 3.50 3.00 2.00

K. Educational exhibit to cover any phase of Rose growing, hybridizing, culture or classification.
$25.00 may be used for prizes

G. A. BIGELOW FUND

Flower Arrangement - "Memory Lane"

L. Roses preferred but other flowers, may be used - no restrictions as to grower. $40.00 may be used. Highest prize $5.00.

Table Setting - "Anniversary Dinner" —

No. 133 — 4 place setting - no restriction as to grower $50.00 may be used for prizes - highest prize not to exceed $10.00

Delphinium —

No. 134 — One Vase, not more than 3 spikes. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Sweet Peas - Annual —

No. 135 — Vase of mixed varieties $20.00

Peonies –

No. 136 - Vase, 3 or more stalks 4.00 3.00 2.00

Lilies –

No. 137-Vase 4.00 3.00 2.00

Aquilegia –

No. 138-Bowl or Vase 2.50 2.00 1.50

Foxglove –

No. 139-Vase, not more than 3 spikes 4.00 3.00 2.00

Sweet William –

No. 140-Vase 2.50 2.00 1.50

Pinks (Dianthus) –

No. 141-Vase 2.50 2.00 1.50

Any other Perennial –

No. 142-Vase. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Biennial –

No. 143 - Vase $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Amateur Class –

No. 144-Single stalk or specimen plant, grown by the exhibitor – Ribbons awarded.

Wild Flowers, named –

No. 145-Ten vases, no duplicates 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

Potted Plants –

No. 146 - Display of container grown plants. $30.00 available for prizes - 24 sq. ft.

Herbs –

No. 147 - Display, $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Special Prizes

OBADIAH BROWN HADWEN FUND

Hardy Cultivated Shrubs and Flowers (Annuals and Perennials)

M. Display of outdoor varieties 24 square feet 10.00 8.00 6.00 5.00 3.00

CHANDLER BULLOCK FUND

Strawberry, twenty-four berries –

N.	Premier	3.00	2.50	2.00
O.	Sparkle	3.00	2.50	2.00
P.	Robinson	3.00	2.50	2.00
Q.	Catskill	3.00	2.50	2.00
R.	Jersey Belle	3.00	2.50	2.00
S.	Vesper	3.00	2.50	2.00
T.	Midland	3.00	2.50	2.00

No. 148-Any other varieties - 24 berries - $10.00 may be used.

No. 149-Four pint baskets of strawberries, any variety 4.00 3.50 3.00

No. 150-Display not over 12 square feet. $15.00 may be used.

Cherry, one quart —

No. 151-Any named sweet variety. $5.00 may be used.

No. 152-Any named sour variety. $5.00 may be used.

Fruit —

No. 153 - Any other variety. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

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COOK-DAVEY FUND

New Variety of Any Fruit (i.e., strawberry, cherries, etc.)

U. Recent Introduction. Not scheduled 4.00 3.00

Asparagus, 2 bunches - 12 specimens

No. 154 - Any named variety 3.00 2.50 2.00 1.50

Beets —

No. 155 - Two bunches, 6 per bunch 2.50 2.00

Cabbage, Three specimens —

No. 156 - Golden Acre 2.50 2.00 1.50

No. 157 - Any other variety 2.50 2.00 1.50

Chard —

No. 158 - Six plants 2.00 1.50 1.00

Lettuce, three heads, named

No. 159 - Iceberg 2.50 2.00 1.50

No. 160 - Any other variety or loose leaf 2.50 2.00 1.50

Peas, one-half peck —

No. 161 - Sparkle 2.50 2.00

No. 162 - Any other variety 2.50 2.00

No. 163 - Display at least four named varieties $10.00 may be used for prizes

Radishes, 2 bunches, 6 per bunch —

No. 164 - Any named variety 2.00 1.50 1.00

Rhubarb, 12 stalks —

No. 165 - Any named variety 2.00 1.50 1.00

Scallions, 2 bunches, 6 per bunch —

No. 166 - Any named variety 2.00 1.50 1.00

New Vegetables —

No. 167 - Recent Introductions. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Any other Vegetable — (not otherwise listed)

No. 168 - $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Display of Vegetables —

No. 169 - Commercial - Not to exceed 24 sq. ft. $25.00 may be used for prizes

No. 170 - Non-Commercial - Not to exceed 18 sq. ft. $25.00 may be used for prizes

LILIES EXHIBITION

In co-operation with New England Regional Lily Group

COMMITTEE: MR. MERRITT CUTTING, Chairman
ARMAND A. BENOIT
PETER M. JOHNSON
MRS. VIRGINIA HOWIE
EDWARD E. RICHARDSON
CONSTANCE THAYER

Please refer to Exhibition Rules on pages 3 to 6.

Friday, July 14 - 2:00 to 8:00 P.M.

Saturday, July 15 - 9:00 to 5:00 P.M.

All articles for this exhibition must be in the hall and ready for inspection by the Judges by 12:30 o'clock.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted Agricultural Prize Money not to exceed $300.00 of the premiums awarded on this list.

LILIUM

CLASS A – SINGLE STEMS OF NAMED HYBRID CLONES.

Division I – Asiatic Hybrids

Hybrids and cultivars derived from such species as L. amabile, L. bulbiferum, L. cernuum, L. concolor, L. dauricum, L. davidii, L. leichtlinii, L. pumilum and L. tigrinum.

a. Upright flowers – (as Enchantment – Rosabelle)
b. Outward facing (as Corsage - Connecticut Lass)
c. Pendant (as Talisman - Connecticut Yankee)

Division II – Martagon Hybrids (as Brocade - Port Wine)

Division III– American Hybrids (as Constance - Shuksan)

Division IV– Trumpet Hybrids

a. Trumpet form – outward facing
b. Trumpet form – pendant
c. Bowl shaped
d. Sunburst

Divisions may be further subdivided at the discretion of the Judges to provide for color variations i.e.

1. White
2. Pink
3. Yellow
4. Green
5. Bicolor
6. Apricot
7. Purple

Division V – Aurelians (Sunburst or Corona types)

Division VI– Oriental Hybrids

Contains hybrid cultivars or hybrids of L. auratum, L. japonicum, L. rubellum, L. speciosum, and to include any of their crosses with L. henryii.

a. Bowl shaped and flat faced (as Crimson Dream - Imperial Crimson)
b. Recurved (Jamboree - Black Beauty)

CLASS B – SINGLE STEM ENTRIES OF NAMED STRAINS, HYBRID GROUPS AND UNNAMED SEEDLINGS NOT GROWN FROM SEED BY THE EXHIBITOR.

Divisions I through VI as defined in CLASS A.

CLASS C – UNNAMED SEEDLINGS GROWN FROM SEED BY THE EXHIBITOR

Divisions I thru VI as defined in CLASS A.

CLASS D – ALL TRUE SPECIES AND THEIR BOTANICAL FORMS.

Each variety to be judged separately.

CLASS E – DISPLAY – COMMERCIAL

No other flowers to be used. $75.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office 4 days in advance.

CLASS F – DISPLAY – NON-COMMERCIAL

No other flowers to be used. $75.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office 4 days in advance.

CLASS G – EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY

$50.00 may be used for prizes.

CLASS H – Single stems of hardy lilies grown by 4-H youth in Worcester County

4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

Competitive classes are open to all providing the lilies are grown by, or under the control of, the exhibitor.

First, second and third Prize Ribbons will be awarded by the New England Regional Lily Group in each Division.

EDWARD A. BIGELOW

M. **Basket of Lilies**
Other foliage permitted $25.00 may be used for prizes

N. **Vase of Lilies**
Other foliage permitted $5.00 4.00 3.50 3.00 2.50

SPECIAL AWARDS

VIRGINIA HOWIE AWARD –
Best stalk grown by youth - Pewter Award

MISS ELIZABETH R. BISHOP AWARD –
Best unnamed seedling spike from Class C. Bronze Medal.

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY AWARD –
For best spike of a named clone. To be chosen from Class A entries.

THE PAULINE M. & ARMAND A. BENOIT AWARD
Pewter Bowl for best display, non-commercial.
Name to be inscribed on bowl.
Bowl to be left at Society.

Flower Arrangement - "Sunrise Glow"

No. 200 – True lilies preferred, but other flowers may be used. No restriction as to grower. $40.00 may be used for prizes. Highest prize – $5.00.

Delphinium –

No. 203 - Vase. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Annual, one kind –

No. 204 - Vase. No more than five stalks. Use own foliage. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Perennial, one kind – (Other than Lilies) –

No. 205 - Vase. No more than five stalks. Use own foliage. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Biennial, one kind –

No. 206 - Vase
$20.00 may be used for prizes.

Non-Hardy Bulbs or Tubers –

No. 207 - Vase. $5.00 may be used.

Hardy Cultivated Shrubs and Flowers (Annuals and Perennials)

No. 208 -	Display 24 square feet	10.00	8.00	6.00	5.00	3.00
No. 209 -	Display 12 square feet	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.50	1.50

Begonia, tuberous rooted –

No. 210 -	Eight vases	6.00	5.00	4.00

Herbs –

No. 211 - Display. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Amateur Class –

No. 212 - Single stalk or specimen plant, grown by the exhibitor – Ribbons awarded.

Potted Plants –

No. 213 - Display of container-grown plants. $30.00 available for prizes.

MYRON F. CONVERSE MEMORIAL FUND

Roses - Not over 12 blooms - vase (see special rule 4)

O.	Floribundas	$15.00 may be used
P.	Grandifloras	$15.00 may be used
Q.	Hybrid Teas	$15.00 may be used
R.	Any Other	$15.00 may be used

Hemerocallis -

No. 214 - Collection of 6 named varieties. $6.00 $5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00

Sweet Peas - Annual –

No. 215 - Vase of mixed varieties. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Cherry, one quart –

No. 218 - Any named variety. $5.00 may be used.

Raspberry, Black Cap one pint –

No. 219 -	Any named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Raspberry, one pint —

No. 220 -	Early varieties, named. $5.00 may be used.				
No. 221 -	Latham	2.50	2.00	1.50	
No. 222 -	Taylor	2.50	2.00	1.50	
No. 223 -	Any other red variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	
No. 224 -	New varieties. $5.00 may be used.				
No. 225 -	Display not over 12 square feet. $10.00 may be used.				

Currants, twelve bunches -

No. 226 - Any named variety. $10.00 may be used.

CHANDLER BULLOCK FUND

Blueberry, pint box -

S. -	Cultivated, named.	$3.00	$2.50	$2.00	$1.50
T. -	Cultivated, new varieties.	$7.50 may be used.			
U. -	Display - 3 varieties.	$25.00 may be used.			
V. -	Wild, one quart	$2.00	$1.50	$1.00	

Gooseberry, one quart —

No. 227 - Any named varieties. $10.00

No. 228 - New varieties. $5.00

Blackberry, one quart —

No. 229 - Any variety. $5.00

Any other Fruit —

No. 230 - $5.00 may be used for prizes.

Display of Small Fruit, two or more varieties —

No. 231 - $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Beets, twelve specimens —

No. 232 -	Any named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Carrots, two bunches - six in each —

No. 233 -	Any named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Beans, Snap, one-half peck —

No. 234 -	Green Pod	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 235 -	Wax	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Cucumber, for pickles

No. 236 -	One-half peck	2.50	2.00	1.50

Cucumber, three specimens —

No. 237 -	Hybrid type, named	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 238 -	Standard type, named	2.50	2.00	1.50

Cabbage, three specimens —

No. 239 -	Any variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Lettuce, three heads —

No. 240 - Iceberg		2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 241 - Any other variety		2.50	2.00	1.50

Summer Squash, three specimens —

No. 242 - Yellow	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 243 - Green	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 244 - Any other type		2.00	1.50	1.00

Swiss Chard - 10 stalks

No. 245 - Any variety	2.00	1.50	1.00

Peas, one-half peck —

No. 246 - Telephone type	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 247 - Any other variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Radishes - Two bunches, 6 per bunch

No. 248 - Any named variety	2.00	1.50	1.00

Tomatoes, twelve Specimens —

No. 249 - Any named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Spinach, one-half peck —

No. 250 - New Zealand	2.00	1.50	1.00

New Vegetable - variety

No. 251 - Recent introductions. $10.00 may be used.

Any other Vegetable — Not otherwise listed

No. 252 - $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Display of Vegetables -

No. 253 - Commercial - Not to exceed 24 sq. ft. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 254 - Non-Commercial - Not to exceed 18 sq. ft. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Market Basket of Vegetables -

No. 255 - $30.00 may be used. Highest prize not over $3.50.

HEMEROCALLIS (DAYLILIES) EXHIBITION

in cooperation with

REGION 4 OF THE AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

Please refer to Exhibition Rules on pages 3 to 6.

COMMITTEE: MR. GEORGE H. PRIDE, Chairman
MRS. IRVING FRAIM
MR. & MRS. WAINO HIMOTTU
MR. & MRS. ALVAR MELIN
MR. LANCE MITCHELL
MRS. JAMES H. SHEPHERD
MR. & MRS. ROD SPURR
MRS. LOUIS PRUNIER

Saturday, July 22 - 1 to 6:00 P.M.

All articles for this exhibition must be in the hall and ready for inspeciton by the Judges by 12:00 o'clock.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted Agricultural Prize Money not to exceed $200.00 for the premiums awarded on this list.

Hemerocallis (Daylilies)

No. 300 - Display - Commercial. $75.00 may be used for prizes

No. 301 - Display - Non-commercial. $75.00 may be used for prizes.

Note: In the two types of displays above any decorative foliage may be used but no flowers other than daylilies should be included. Emphasis in these displays should be on a wide variety of colors and types of daylilies. Unregistered seedlings should not dominate the display.

No. 302 - Collection of six named varieties. - 6 vases.
$6.00 $5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00

No. 303 - Collection of six numbered seedlings. Not necessarily the exhibitors own.
$6.00 $5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00

Note: In the displays and collections only one entry per exhibitor in each class will be allowed.

Specimen color classes, one spike entry. Must be named and introduced.

More than one entry may be made in these classes, providing each entry is a different variety, and more than one premium may be awarded to the same exhibitor. Scape not to exceed 36".
Only hemerocallis foliage should be used with the following entries.

Large Flowered Section (Flower over 4½ inches in diameter)
"Awards," First and Second

No. 304 - Near White

No. 305 - Light Yellow and Lemon

No. 306 - Medium Yellow

No. 307 - Deep Yellow or Gold

No. 308 - Orange
No. 309 - Polychrome blends light
No. 310 - Polychrome blends dark
No. 311 - Bicolor
No. 312 - Banded or eyed
No. 313 - Pale Pink
No. 314 - Medium Pink
No. 315 - Peach Pink
No. 316 - Rose
No. 317 - Bright Red
No. 318 - Orange Red
No. 319 - Dark Red
No. 320 - Lavender Shades
No. 321 - Purple Shades
No. 322 - Picotee (conspicuous border of lighter or darker shade)

Small Flowered (flower between 3 and 4½ inches)
No. 323 - Yellow, any shade
No. 324 - Any other color

Miniature (flower less than 3 inches)
No. 325 - Yellow, any shade
No. 326 - Any other color

Dwarf (normal growth under 24 inches)
No. 327 - Large flowered, any color
No. 328 - Small flowered, any color
No. 329 - Miniature flowered, any color

Spider Flowered (exaggerated long thin flower parts)
No. 330 - Yellow, any shade
No. 331 - Any other color

Double Flowered (6 or more petaloids should be present)
No. 332 - Yellow, any shade
No. 333 - Any other color

Fringed or Knobbed
No. 334 - Any color

Specials —
National Popularity Poll Winner
No. 335 - Special Award Rosette of American Hemerocallis Society

Regional Popularity Poll Winner
No. 336 - If different from national winner. Same award as for National winner.

Seedling
No. 337 - One entire scape, severed at base. Must be exhibitor's own hybrid. To be judged for Worcester County Horticultural Society's Rosette and Special Award Rosette of American Hemerocallis Society. More than one award may be given in this class.

Best Registered Introduced -

To be selected by judges from classes 304 to 336 and 342 to 357. To be judged for Worcester County Horticultural Society Rosette and Special Award Rosette of American Hemerocallis Society.

Best Registered Unintroduced Class -

No. 338 - Single scape not to exceed 36". To be judged for Worcester County Horticultural Society Rosette and Special Award Rosetts of American Hemerocallis Society.

American Hemerocallis Society Achievement Award -

No. 339 - Special A.H.S. Rosette awarded at show-Medal awarded later in year after all rules about registration of winning variety have been complied with.

At least 3 scapes severed at the base of an undisseminated variety which may or may not be registered and is at least 3 years old. This medal is offered to the originator, amateur or professional whether shown by originator or someone else. The award shall be made only to a new variety of adequate merit and distinctiveness as compared with existing varieties.

Educational Exhibit -

No. 340 - To cover any phase of Hemerocallis growing, hybridizing, culture or classification. $50.00 may be used for prizes.

SPECIAL AWARDS - Financed by the New England Area of Region 4 of the American Hemerocallis Society.

Single Floret -

No. 341 - One floret to container. This class is for very new varieties introduced in 1975, 1976, 1977 and 1978 where exhibitor might not want to cut the complete scape. Exhibitor may make as many entries as wished providing each is a different cultivar.

$5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00 $1.00

No. 342 - New England Daylily Award - for the finest specimen of a daylily originated in New England. It must be a named and introduced variety. The entry does not have to necessarily be made by the hybridizer. The award goes to the exhibitor. Any number of entries may be made in this class by the same exhibitor as long as each entry shown is a different cultivar. One award, $25.00.

SWEEPSTAKE WINNERS - To the exhibitor with the largest number of first prizes in the specimen color classes, one spike entry section. First prize, $25.00; runner-up, $15.00.

YOUTH SECTION (Age 18 years or younger)
(Rules same as for adults)
Exhibitors must have a daylily garden of their own separate from the family garden. Specimen color classes, one spike entry. Must be named and introduced.

Large Flowered Section -

No. 343 - Yellow, any shade
No. 344 - Orange
No. 345 - Polychrome, light or dark
No. 346 - Bicolor
No. 347 - Eyed or banded
No. 348 - Pink, any shade
No. 349 - Rose
No.350 - Red
No. 351 - Lavender
No. 352 - Purple

Small Flowered

No. 353 - Any color

Miniature

No. 354 - Any color

Dwarf

No. 355 - Any color

Spider Flowered

No. 356 - Any color

Double Flowered

No. 357 - Any color

A Blue Ribbon and a $2.00 award for a First Prize and a Red Ribbon and a $1.00 award for a Second Prize will be awarded where the exhibits merit this.

SWEEPSTAKE WINNER - in the Youth Section cash prize $25.00. Participation in the Youth Section does not prevent showing in other classes. They are in competition for the "Best Registered Introduced", also.

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Special Announcement - Gold and Silver Medals from American Horticultural Society may be available for exhibitors of daylilies in this show. Regulations will be available by the time of the show.

G. A. BIGELOW FUND

Roses —

R — Vase - not over 12 blooms (See Rule 8). $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Petunias —

No. 404 - Single, plain-edged, 5 vases, 3 stalks each.
4.00 3.00 2.00 1.50 1.00

No. 405 - Single, fringed or ruffled, 5 vases, 3 stalks each.
4.00 3.00 2.00 1.50 1.00

No. 406 - Double, 5 vases, 3 stalks each. 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

Lilies —

No. 407 — Vase. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Zinnias —

No. 408 - Display of large flowered, 5 vases, 5 stalks each.
5.00 4.00 3.00 2.00

No. 409 - Display of Pompons (small flowered), 5 vases, 7 stalks each.
4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

No. 410 - Vase of Mexican. No less than 12 blooms.
3.00 2.00 1.00

Marigolds —

No. 411 - Display, can be mixed types and varieties, 5 vases, 5 stalks each. 5.00 4.00 3.00 2.00

Snapdragon —

No. 412 - Vase, not more than 5 spikes. 2.00 1.50 1.00

Salpiglosis —

No. 413 - Vase, 5 stalks 2.00 1.50 1.00

Calendula —

No. 414 - Vase, 5 stalks 2.00 1.50 1.00

Annual - one Kind — (Not otherwise listed in this show) —

No. 415 - Vase. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Phlox —

No. 416 - Vase, 5 stalks 2.00 1.50 1.00

Shasta Daisies —

No. 417 - Vase, 5 stalks 2.00 1.50 1.00

Perennial - one Kind — (Not otherwise listed in this show) —

No. 418 - Vase. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Biennial — One kind

No. 419 - Vase. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

New Flowers —

No. 420 - Recent introductions. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Amateur Class —

No. 421 - Single stalk or specimen plant, grown by the exhibitor — Ribbons awarded.

Wild Flowers, named —

No. 422 - 10 Vases — no duplicates. 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00
(See Special Rules of Wild Flowers on Page 5)

Potted Plants —

No. 423 - Display of container grown plants other than Tuberous Rooted Begonias $50.00 available for prizes.

Herbs —

No. 424 - Display, $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Hanging Baskets —

No. 425 — Foliage Plants — $20.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 426 — Flowering Plants — $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Begonia, tuberous rooted —

No. 427 Display of Potted Plants. $20.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office four days in advance.

Begonia, Tuberous Rooted - Cut Flowers

No. 428 - Display. Use own foliage. Notify the Secretary two days in advance. 5.00 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

Flower Arrangement - "Mid-Summer Melody"

No. 429 - No restriction as to grower. $40.00 may be used. Highest prize — $5.00

Cherry, one quart —

No. 430 - Any named variety. $5.00 may be used.

Raspberry, one pint —

No. 431 - Latham $2.50 2.00 1.50
No. 432 - Taylor $2.50 2.00 1.50
No. 433 - Any other red variety $2.50 2.00 1.50
No. 434 - New Varieties $5.00 may be used
No. 435 - Display not over 12 sq. ft. $10.00 may be used.

Currants, twelve bunches -

No. 436 - Any named variety. $10.00 may be used.

Gooseberry, one quart —

No. 437 - Any named varieties. $10.00.

Blackberry, one quart —

No. 438 - Any variety. $5.00.

Any New varieties of Small Fruit —

No. 439 - Recent introductions. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Display of Small Fruits, two or more varieties —

No. 440 - $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Apple, twelve specimens -

No. 441 - Yellow Transparent 3.00 2.50
No. 442 - Lodi 3.00 2.50
No. 443 - Red Astrachan 3.00 2.50
No. 444 - New varieties. $7.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 445 - Other early varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Plum, twelve specimens -

No. 446 - Early varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Peach, twelve specimens, named -

No. 447 - Any early white varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 448 - Any early yellow varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Fruit Class for Amateurs —

No. 449 - 6 specimens of a tree fruit. Same variety. $10.00 may be used.

CHANDLER BULLOCK FUND

Blueberry, one pint —

S. — Cultivated, named 3.00 2.50 2.00 1.50
T. — New varieties 3.00 2.50 2.00 1.50
U. — Wild, one quart 2.00 1.50 1.00

Bean, Shell, one-half peck —

No. 450 - Dwarf, any variety 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

Bean, one-half peck —

No. 451 - Kentucky Wonder 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00
No. 452 - Green Pod 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00
No. 453 - Wax 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

Beets, twelve specimens —

No. 454 - Any named variety 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

Broccoli — Three specimens

No. 455 - Any named variety $2.50 2.00 1.50

Cabbage — 3 specimens

No. 456 - Any named variety $2.50 2.00 1.50

Carrots, two bunches, six in each —

No. 457 - Any named variety 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

Cucumber, for pickles —

No. 458 - One-half peck 2.50 2.00 1.50

Cucumber — 3 specimens —

No. 459 - Any named standard variety 2.50 2.00 1.50
No. 460 - Any named Hybrid variety 2.50 2.00 1.50

Sweet Corn, 12 ears —

No. 461 - Any named yellow variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 462 - Any named white variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 463 - Any named bicolor variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Summer Squash — 3 specimens —

No. 464 - Hybrid variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 465 - Green variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 466 - Any other type	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Lettuce — 3 heads —

No. 467 - Any variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Parsley — 2 bunches

No. 468 — Any variety	2.00	1.50	1.00

Potato, twelve specimens —

No. 469 — Any early variety. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Tomatoes, twelve specimens —

No. 470 — Any named standard variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 471 — Any named Hybrid variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

New Vegetable - variety

No. 472 — Recent introductions. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Any other Vegetable — (not otherwise listed)

No. 473 — $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Market Basket

No. 474 — Baskets furnished by Society. $30.00 may be used for prizes.

Display of Vegetables -

No. 475 - Commercial - Not to exceed 24 sq. ft. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 476 - Non-Commercial - Not to exceed 18 sq. ft. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Mushroom, native -

No. 477 - Collection, named edible varieties. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 478 - Collection, named non-edible varieties. $25.00 may be used.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S EXHIBITION

See separate Schedule

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S MID-SUMMER FLOWER SHOW
& Gladiolus Exhibition

Please refer to Exhibition Rules on pages 3 to 6.

COMMITTEE: MRS. LOUIS PRUNIER, Co-Chairman
MRS. JAMES MAHONEY, Co-Chairman
ISABELLA CHOATE
MARY FLANAGAN
ERNEST MINOR
HEIDI HUNDAHL
RICHARD JORDAN

Thursday, August 17, 1978

This exhibition will be open to the public from 2 to 8:00 P.M.

All articles for this exhibition must be in the hall and ready for inspection by the Judges by 12:30 o'clock.

The hall will be open at 6 P.M. the night before for any who wish to set up at that time.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted Agricultural Prize Money not to exceed $300.00 of the premiums awarded on this list, and Department of Agriculture Rosettes.

Baskets and Displays to be judged by the New England Gladiolus Society Basis.

Quality and Condition	50 points
Color Harmony	10 "
Distinctiveness	15 "
Arrangement of Flowers Effectiveness ...	25 "

Gladiolus –

No. 500 – Display-Commercial. Baskets and Vases. No other flowers to be used. $75.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office 4 days in advance.

No. 501 – Display of Artistic Arrangements of Gladiolus. No restriction as to grower. $50.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office 4 days in advance.

No. 502 – Display - Semi-Commercial. (Exhibitor sells flowers and/bulbs but does not issue a catalog). Baskets and Vases. Notify the office 4 days in advance. $50.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 503 – Display - Non-Commercial. (Exhibitor does not sell flowers or bulbs). Basket and Vases. Notify the office 4 days in advance. $50.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 504 – Basket, to be named. $35.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 505 — Vase, minimum 5 spikes, to be named.
4.00 3.00 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

No. 506 — Vase of Seedlings, 5 spikes
5.00 4.00 3.00

No. 507 - Seedling Class. One spike, properly labeled. Seedlings and undisseminated varieties will be shown as seedlings. More than one entry may be made by any exhibitor.
Best Seedling will be awarded the Society Rosette and the New England Gladiolus Society Rosette.

No. 508 - Open Color Class. One spike, each, properly labeled with Classification number, variety name, and name and address of the exhibitor. Special cards will be furnished by the Society.

No. 509 — Recent Introduction Varieties (last 5 yrs.). One spike, properly labeled (see above).

No. 510 - Novice Color Class. One spike, properly labeled. This class is open to any person who has never won a Blue Ribbon at any Gladiolus Show.

No. 511 - Three Spike Open Class. Three spikes of one variety, properly labeled and arranged attractively in containers.

No. 512 - Three Spike Seedling awarded Department of Agriculture Rosette.

Education Class

No. 513 — $50.00 may be used for prizes.

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SPECIAL INFORMATION TO AID EXHIBITORS

Use North American Gladiolus Council Classification List.

Stem length below bottom floret —
17 inches on 100 - 200 classes
20 inches on 300 - 400 - 500 classes

The following size separations will be used in all classes:

100 - 200 Miniature and Small
300 Medium
400 Large
500 Giant

First, Second and Third Prize Ribbons will be awarded in each class.

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Members of the Committee will be glad to assist in the arrangements of the spikes and the placing of entries.

Section Champion will be chosen from the Seedling Class –

From each size 300-400-500 in the Recent Introduction Class –

From the same sizes in the One Spike Open Color Class.

From these Section Champions, a Grand Champion shall be chosen.

Following like procedure with the 100-200 size, a Miniature Champion shall be chosen.

Section and Division Champions will be awarded the Society Rosette.

Grand Champions – Certificate of Merit.

Flower Arrangement - "A Country Lane"

No. 514 - No restrictions as to kind of flower or grower. $40.00 may be used for prizes. Highest prize $5.00.

Lilies - no other flower to be used

No. 515 – Vase – $15.00 may be used for prizes.

GERALD FALES FUND

Roses –

V. Vase, not over 12 blooms (see Rule 8). $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Annual, one kind –

No. 516 - Vase. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

New Flowers - Recent Introduction

No. 517 - Vase. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Perennial, one kind – (Not otherwise listed) –

No. 518 - Vase. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Biennial - One Kind

No. 519 - Vase - $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Dahlias –

No. 520 – Container – $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Amateur Class –

No. 521 - Single stalk or specimen plant, grown by the exhibitor – Ribbons awarded.

Hanging Baskets –

No. 522 Foliage Plants – $20.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 523 Flowering Plants – $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Herbs –

No. 525 - Display, $25.00 may be used for prizes.

Begonia, tuberous rooted –

No. 526 - Display of Potted Plants. $20.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office four days in advance.

Hardy Cultivated Shrubs and Flowers (annuals and perennials)

No. 527 – Display. Not over 24 sq. ft.

10.00 8.00 6.00 5.00 3.00

Wild Flowers, named –

No. 528 - 10 Vases - no duplicates

4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

(See Special Rules of Wild Flowers on page 5)

Zinnias -

No. 529 - Display of large flowered, 5 vases, 5 stalks each.
$5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00

No. 530 - Display of Pompons (small flowered) 5 vases, 7 stalks each.
$4.00 $3.00 $2.00 $1.00

No. 531 - Vase of Mexican. No less than 12 blooms.
$3.00 $2.00 $1.00

Marigolds -

No. 532 - Display, can be mixed types and varieties, 5 vases, 5 stalks each.
$5.00 $4.00 $3.00 $2.00

Cactus and other Succulents

No. 533 - Collection. $35.00 may be used for prizes.

Apple, twelve specimens –

No. 534	Gravenstein	$3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 535 –	Puritan	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 536 –	Early McIntosh	3.00	2.50	2.00

No. 537 – New varieties. $10.00.

No. 538 – Any other early variety. $10.00.

No. 539 – Seedlings. $10.00.

Crab Apple, twenty-four specimens –

No. 540 –	Any named variety.	3.00	2.50	2.00

Plum, twelve specimens –

No. 541 – Japanese named variety. $10.00

No. 542 – European named variety. $10.00

Peach, twelve specimens, named –

No. 543 – Any white variety. $10.00

No. 544 – Any yellow variety. $10.00

No. 545 – Any new variety. $10.00

No. 546 – Seedlings. $10.00

No. 547 – Display of three or more varieties. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Pear, twelve specimens –

No. 548 – Early varieties. $7.50 may be used.

Display of Fruit –

No. 549 – Not to exceed 20 square feet. Two or more kinds. $35.00 may be used.

Any other variety of Fruits –

No. 550 – $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Fruit class for Amateurs –

No. 551 – Six specimens of a Tree Fruit. - same variety. $10.00 may be used.

CHANDLER BULLOCK FUND

Blueberry, pint box -

W.	Cultivated named	$3.00	$2.50	$2.00	$1.50
X.	New varieties	$3.00	$2.50	$2.00	$1.50
Y.	Display - 3 varieties	$25.00 may be used			
Z.	Wild, one quart	$2.00	$1.50	$1.00	

Bean, Snap, one-half peck –

No. 552 –	Wax			2.50	2.00 1.50
No. 553 –	Green Pod			2.50	2.00 1.50

Bean, Shell, one-half peck –

No. 554 –	Dwarf Bush, any variety.	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Bean, Pole, one-half peck –

No. 555 –	String, any variety.	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Broccoli -

No. 556 -	3 specimens	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Cabbage – Three specimens

No. 557 –	Any named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Sweet Corn, 12 ears -

No. 558 –	Any named Yellow variety.	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 559 –	Any named White variety.	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 560 –	Any named Bicolor variety.	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Cucumber, three specimens —

No. 561 — Any named Hybrid variety. $10.00 may be used.

Cucumber, for pickles —

No. 562 — One-half peck 2.50 2.00 1.50

GERALD FALES FUND

Tomato, twelve specimens -

A.	Red, any named Standard variety	$2.50	$2.00	$1.50	$1.00
B.	Red, any named Hybrid variety	$2.50	$2.00	$1.50	$1.00
C.	Any other variety	$2.50	$2.00	$1.50	$1.00

Onions - 12 specimens —

No. 563 — Any named variety 2.50 2.00 1.50

Potato, twelve specimens —

No. 564 — Cobblers 2.50 2.00 1.50

No. 565 — Superior 2.50 2.00 1.50

No. 566 — Any other named variety. 2.50 2.00 1.50

Pepper, twelve specimens —

No. 567 — Any variety. 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

Summer Squash - Three specimens

No. 568 — Yellow varieties 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

No. 569 — Green varieties 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

No. 570 — Any other varieties 2.50 2.00 1.50 1.00

Any other Vegetable - Not otherwise listed

No. 571 — $15.00 may be used for prizes.

New Vegetable - variety

No. 572 — Recent Introductions. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Market Basket

No. 573 — Baskets furnished by Society. $30.00 may be used for prizes.

Display of Vegetables -

No. 574 - Commercial - Not to exceed 24 sq. ft.
$25.00 may be used for prizes

No. 575 - Non-commercial - Not to exceed 18 sq. ft.
$25.00 may be used for prizes

Mushroom, native —

No. 576 - Collection, named edible varieties. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S EXHIBITION

See separate Schedule

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DAHLIA EXHIBITION

Please refer to Exhibition Rules on pages 3 to 6.

COMMITTEE: Dr. & Mrs. George W. Hazzard - Co-Chairmen
Mr. Bertrand Beyer
Mr. Wayne C. Smith

Thursday, September 14

This exhibition will be open to the public from 2 to 8:00 P.M.

All articles for this exhibition must be in the hall and ready for inspection by the Judges by 12:30 o'clock.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted Agricultural Prize Money not to exceed **$250.00** of the premiums awarded on this list.

Sale of Spring Flowering Bulbs
Benefit of the Scholarship Fund

3 Blooms Per Vase - 1 Variety Per Vase

No. 600 -	Display of Pompons	5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 601 -	Display of Pompons	10 Vases	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 602 -	Display of Miniatures	5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 603 -	Display of Miniatures	10 Vases	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 604 -	Display of Any Other Form - Includes the following Dahlia types: Anemone, Ball, Collarette, Orchid, Peony, Single, Waterlily.	5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 605 -	Display of Any Other Form - Same as No. 604	10 Vases	6.00	5.00	4.00

1 Bloom Per Vase

No. 606 -	Display of Decoratives 4-6"	5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 607 -	Display of Decoratives 4-6"	10 Vases	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 608 -	Display of Decoratives 6-8"	5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 609 -	Display of Decoratives 6-8"	10 Vases	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 610 -	Display of Decoratives Over 8"	5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 611 -	Display of Decoratives Over 8"	10 Vases	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 612 -	Display of Cactus 4-6"	5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 613 -	Display of Cactus 4-6"	10 Vases	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 614 -	Display of Cactus 6-8"	5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 615 -	Display of Cactus 6-8"	10 Vases	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 616 -	Display of Cactus Over 8"	5 Vases	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 617 -	Display of Cactus Over 8"	10 Vases	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 618 -	Basket or Vase of Decorative Varieties		5.00	4.00	3.00
No. 619 -	Basket or Vase of Cactus Varieties		5.00	4.00	3.00
No. 620 -	Basket or Vase of Pompons		5.00	4.00	3.00
No. 621 -	Basket or Vase of Miniatures		5.00	4.00	3.00
No. 622 -	Basket or Vase of Any Other Form (See Class 604)		5.00	4.00	3.00

No. 623 -	Basket or Vase of Assorted Varieties	5.00	4.00	3.00
No. 624A-	My Best Bloom Under 4"	5.00	4.00	3.00
No. 624B-	My Best Bloom 4-8"	5.00	4.00	3.00
No. 624C-	My Best Bloom Over 8"	5.00	4.00	3.00
No. 625 -	Display, 50 Square Feet Non-Commercial Grower Notify Office 4 Days in Advance	$75.00 May be Used For Prizes		
No. 626 -	Display, 25 Square Feet Non-Commercial Grower Notify Office 4 Days in Advance	$30.00 May be Used For Prizes		
No. 627 -	Best Vase of Recent Introduction Introduced 1972, 1973, 1974	$5.00 May be Used for Prizes		
No. 628 -	Best Vase Of New Variety Introduced 1975, 1976, 1977	$5.00 May be Used for Prizes		
No. 629 -	Novice Class, Single Stalk, Any Variety For Exhibitors who have never won a Blue Ribbon in Dahlia Competition.	Ribbon Prizes		

Educational Exhibit

No. 630 -	To cover any phase of Dahlia growing, hybridizing, culture or classification.	$25.00 May be Used for Prizes

"Court of Honor"

Best Small Blooms In Show - From Classes 600-605 inclusive Blue Ribbon & $5.00

Best Decorative Bloom In Show - From Classes 606-611 inclusive - Blue Ribbon & $5.00

Best Cactus Bloom In Show - From Classes 612-617 inclusive Blue Ribbon & $5.00

Best Bloom In Show - Chosen From 3 Best Bloom Winners - State Award

Classification of Dahlias according to Size
Standards set by the American Dahlia Society.

Pompons, 2 Inches Or Under	B	6 - 8"
Miniatures, 2 - 4"	A	8" or Over
BB, 4 - 6"		

THE MYRON F. CONVERSE MEMORIAL FUND

Flower Arrangement - "Summer's Sunset"

C. Dahlias preferred but other kinds of flowers may be used. No restriction as to grower. $40.00 may be used. Highest prize - $5.00.

THE MYRON F. CONVERSE MEMORIAL FUND

Roses -

B. Collection of kinds and varieties named (number of kinds important). $40.00 to be used for prizes.

Gladiolus, standard varieties —

No. 631 -	10 Vases, one spike in a vase, to be named.		5.00	4.00	3.00
No. 632 -	Basket	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00

EDWIN DRAPER FUND

Begonia, tuberous rooted —

D. Cut flowers in vases, not more than 20 vases. $12.00 may be used for prizes.

Asters, large flowered, long stems —

E. Vase of 12 blooms 3.00 2.00 1.00

Table Setting

No. 633 - "What's My Hobby" - 4 place settings - no restriction as to grower - $50.00 may be used for prizes - highest prize not to exceed $10.00.

Marigolds —

No. 634 -	Display, can be mixed types and varieties — 5 vases, 5 stalks.	3.50	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 635 -	Large flowered, 3 vases, 3 stalks			3.00	2.00	1.00
No. 636 -	Double French, 3 vases, 3 stalks	3.00		2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 637 -	Single, 3 vases, 3 stalks			3.00	2.00	1.00
No. 638 -	Any other, 3 vases, 3 stalks			3.00	2.00	1.00

Petunias —

No. 639 -	Single, plain-edged, 5 vases, 3 stalks	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00
No. 640 -	Single, fringed or ruffled, 5 vases, 3 stalks	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00
No. 641 -	Double, 5 vases, 3 stalks	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00

Zinnias —

No. 642 -	Display. Mixed types and varieties, 5 vases, 5 stalks —	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00
No. 643 -	Display of large flowered, 5 vases, 5 stalks —	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00

No. 644 - Display of Pompons (small flowered), 5 vases, 7 stalks – 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.50 1.00

No. 645 - Vase of Mexican. No less than 12 blooms – 3.00 2.00 1.50 1.00

Annual, one kind – (Not otherwise listed) –

No. 646 - Vase. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Perennial, one kind – (Not otherwise listed) –

No. 647 - Vase. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Biennial - One kind

No. 648 - Vase $15.00 may be used for prizes.

New Flowers –

No. 649 - Recent Introductions. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

Wild Flowers –

No. 650 - Appropriate container, *artistic effect.* $15.00 may be used for prizes. (See Special Rule on Wild Flowers - Page 5.)

No. 651 - 10 vases, named, no duplicates. 4.00 3.00 2.00 1.00

Herbs –

No. 652 - Display. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

WARREN I. HIGGINS FUND

Potted Plants -

A. Display of container grown plants - 24 sq. ft.
Notify Office 4 days in advance.
$30.00 available for prizes

Chrysanthemums - Garden Grown

No. 653 - Cut Flowers, 3 vases, 3 stalks per vase
$4.00 $3.00 $2.00 $1.00

Hanging Baskets

No. 654 Foliage Plants – $20.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 655 Flowering Plants -- $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Amateur Class –

No. 656 - Single stalk or specimen plant, grown by the exhibitor - other than Dahlias - Ribbons awarded.

Apple, twelve specimens –

No. 657 - McIntosh 3.00 2.50 2.00

No. 658 - Red Gravenstein 3.00 2.50 2.00

No. 659 - Milton 3.00 2.50 2.00

No. 660 - Wealthy 2.50 2.00 1.50

No. 661 - New varieties. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 662 - Seedling varieties. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 663 - Any other varieties. $7.50 may be used for prizes.

Crab Apples, twenty-four specimens –

No. 664 - Hyslop		3.00	2.50
No. 665 - Any other variety		3.00	2.50

Pear, twelve specimens –

No. 666 - Bartlett	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 667 - Seckel	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 668 - New named varieties		3.00	2.50
No. 669 - Any other variety	3.00	2.50	2.00

Plum, twelve specimens –

No. 670 - Any Japanese variety. $10.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 671 - Any European variety. $10.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 672 - Any new varieties. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

Peach, twelve specimens –

No. 673 - Early Elberta	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 674 - Any white variety	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 675 - Any other yellow variety	3.00	2.50	2.00

No. 676 - New varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 677 - Seedlings. $10.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 678 - Display, three or more varieties. $20.00 may be used.

Quince, twelve specimens –

No. 679 - Orange	3.00	2.50	2.00

Fruit Class for Amateurs –

No. 680 - 6 specimens of a Tree Fruit - same variety. $10.00 may be used.

Grape, three clusters –

No. 681 - Fredonia	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 682 - Seneca	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 683 - Worden	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 684 - Seedless variety	3.50	3.00	2.50

No. 685 - For other varieties – $10.00.
No. 686 - New varieties – $10.00.

No. 687 - Collection, not less than 5 varieties.	12.00	10.00	8.00

COOK-DAVEY FUND

New Variety of Any Fruit (apples, pears, peaches, etc.)

F. Recent Introduction – Not scheduled.		5.00	4.00

Any other Variety of Fruits –

No. 688 - $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Muskmelons, three specimens —

No. 689 - Hybrid, named variety			2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 690 - Orange flesh, named			2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 691 - Green flesh, named				2.50	2.00

Watermelon, three specimens —

No. 692 - Midget Type	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00	
No. 693 - Seedless, two specimens		3.00	2.50	2.00	

No. 694 - Any other variety. $10.00 may be used for prizes.
No. 694a — Melon Display. $35.00 available

Squash, Winter, three specimens —

No. 695 - Buttercup	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 696 - Blue Hubbard	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 697 - Golden Delicious	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 698 - Des Moines	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

No. 699 - Butternut. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 700 - Butternut - Hercules	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

No. 701 - Any other variety, named. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Potatoes, twelve specimens —

No. 702 - Any named variety. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Cabbage, three specimens —

No. 703 - Red		2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 704 - Savoy		2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 705 - Any other variety		2.50	2.00	1.50

Carrots - Two bunches - 6 in each — 2.50 2.00 1.50
No. 706 - Any named variety

Cauliflower —

No. 707 - Three specimens	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50

Cucumber - Three specimens —
No. 708 - Three specimens
Any named Hybrid variety. $10.00 may be used.

Broccoli —

No. 709 - Three specimens	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Peppers, twelve specimens —

No. 710 - Wonder type	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00	.75
No. 711 - Squash type			2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 712 - Any other named variety		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

No. 713 - Display. $35.00 may be used.

Tomatoes, red, twelve specimens —

No. 714 - Rutgers or Marglobe type	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 715 - Hybrid variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 716 - Any other named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

No. 717 - Display. $35.00 may be used for prizes.

Tomatoes, small-fruited, one quart –

No. 718 - Any named variety. $7.00 may be used for prizes.

Sweet Corn, twelve ears –

No. 719 – Bicolor, named	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 720 – Yellow, named	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 721 – White, named	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00

Celery, six specimens -

No. 722 - Summer Pascal	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 723 - Any other variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Egg Plant - two specimens -

No. 724 - Any named variety	2.50	2.00	1.50

Onions - twelve specimens -

No. 725 - Sweet Spanish	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 726 - Yellow Globe type	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 727 - White	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 728 - Red	2.50	2.00	1.50

Squash, Summer - three specimens -

No. 729 - Any Variety Yellow	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 730 - Any Variety Green	2.50	2.00	1.50

Bean, Snap, one-half peck

No. 731 - Wax	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 732 - Green Pod	2.50	2.00	1.50

Vegetables -

No. 733 - New Introductions. (1976-1977).
$10.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 734 - Display of Vegetables - commercial - 24 sq. ft. -
$25.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 735 - Display of Vegetables - non-commercial - 18 sq. ft.
$25.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 736 - Any other Vegetable (Kind) not otherwise listed.
$15.00 may be used.

Vegetable Class for Juniors -

No. 737 - Two or more vegetable specimens grown by exhibitor -
Prizes available.

Mushroom, native -

No. 738 - Collection of edible varieties -
$25.00 may be used for prizes.

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

FALL GARDEN EXHIBIT
WORCESTER CENTER GALLERIA

COMMITTEE: MR. JOHN KONING, Chairman
WILLARD BANNING

Friday, October 20, 1978 through Saturday, October 28, 1978

All gardens must be in place and ready for inspection by the judges by 11 o'clock Friday.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture will award prize money not to exceed $1,200.00, a Silver Tray for most meritorious exhibit and State Rosettes.

Garden Displays: - No restriction as to grower

Not more than five exhibits - Award money is based approximately on $2.00 per sq. ft. with five gardens of 250 sq. ft.

Scale of points by which the above classes are to be judged.

Design & Consistency	30 points
Suitability & Quality	20 points
Charm and Atmosphere	15 points
Color Harmony	10 points
Seasonability	10 points
Originality of design	10 points
Correct Labeling	5 points

For example a 250 sq. ft. display at $2.00 per sq. ft. makes top prize money of $500.00 provided is judged to receive 100 points. If a display is judged to receive 90 points then prize is 90% of $500. or $450.

If there are only 3 gardens, these can then be 350 sq. ft.

If there are 4 gardens, they will be based on 300 sq. ft.

SPECIAL AWARD

For Excellence in Design and Consistency - the Society's silver medal presented by Louise C. Harrington. This special award will be given for Garden Displays at the discretion of the judges.

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Please refer to Exhibition Rules on pages 3 to 6.

COMMITTEE: MR. ARTHUR O'MARA, Chairman
MRS. K. G. A. ANDERSSON
MR. JOHN BOOMER
MRS. GORDON BUTLER
MR. ALDEN MILLER
MR. ROBERT S. RUSSELL

Thursday, November 2 — 3:00 to 6:00 P.M. (Members only)
Friday, November 3 — 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.
Saturday, November 4 — 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.
Sunday, November 5 — 12 noon to 5 P.M.

All articles for this exhibition must be in the Hall and ready for inspection by the Judges by 12:30 o'clock on Thursday.

SPECIAL ART EXHIBITION - by public school children of the first six grades.

The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture has allotted agricultural prize money not to exceed $600.00 of the premiums awarded on this list, Rosettes for outstanding exhibits.

EDWIN DRAPER FUND

G. Christmas Tree Exhibit for Young People
Old fashioned hand made decorations. Fresh cut in water or balled. No restrictions as to grower.
$80.00 available - first prize not over $25.00

Christmas Trees - Cut - 6' - 8' height range					
No. 901 -	Spruce	10.00	8.00	5.00	
No. 902 -	Fir (including balsam)	10.00	8.00	5.00	
No. 903 -	Pine	10.00	8.00	5.00	
Christmas Trees - Container grown					
No. 901A-	Spruce	8.00	6.00	4.00	
No. 902A-	Fir (including balsam)	8.00	6.00	4.00	
No. 903A-	Pine	8.00	6.00	4.00	
Standard Commercial Varieties -					
No. 904 -	Chrysanthemums, vase of white	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.50
No. 905 -	Chrysanthemums, vase of yellow.	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.50
No. 906 -	Chrysanthemums, vase of pink.	5.00	4.00	3.00	
No. 907 -	Any other color.	5.00	4.00	3.00	

Note: Six flowers in each, one variety in each vase. Stems not less than two feet.

FREDERICK A. BLAKE FUND

Chrysanthemums -

K.	Best Bloom	4.00	3.00	2.00
L.	Display of Potted Plants	50.00		

Special Exhibits — (Plants other than Chrysanthemums) —

No. 908 - Commercial. $75.00 may be used for prizes. 75 sq. ft. Notify office 1 week in advance.

No. 909 - Commercial. $50.00 may be used for prizes. 50 sq. ft. Notify office 1 week in advance.

No. 910 - Home grown specimen plants, 24 square feet. Quality not quantity. $50.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office 1 week in advance.

Hanging Baskets —

No. 911 - Flowering $50.00 may be used for prizes - Highest prize $10.00

No. 912 - Foliage $50.00 may be used for prizes - Highest prize $10.00

Gesneriads —

No. 913 - Commercial. $50.00 may be used for prizes. .

African Violets

No. 914 - $50.00 may be used for prizes.

Amateur Class —

No. 917 - Single stalk or specimen plant, grown by the exhibitor — Ribbons awarded.

MRS. EDWARD A. BIGELOW FUND

Flower Arrangements -

M. "Autumn's Bounty" Sharfman Award - $40.00

N. "Autumn's Bounty" Children's Class - $30.00

O. Dried Material - Accessories may be used. Highest prize $5.00 $50.00

Wreaths - 16" frame - Thanksgiving

No. 922 -	Fresh Material to be used. See Rule No. 2	$30.00 may be used
No. 923 -	Decorated, Dried Material, cones, fruit, etc.	Money Available

Door Swag - Thanksgiving

No. 924 -	See Rule No. 2	$30.00 may be used
No. 925 -	Decorated, Dried Material, cones, fruit, etc.	Money Available

Terrariums — Includes Fern and Berry Globes

No. 926 - Large — Containers must be over 18 inches but must not exceed 36 inches in any dimension. 4.00 3.00 2.00

No. 927 - Small — Containers must not exceed 18 inches in any dimension. 3.00 2.00 1.00

No. 928 - Children's Class. $10.00 may be used.

Herbs —

No. 929 - Display of dried material grown or collected from the wild by exhibitor. $40.00 may be used for prizes.

SAMUEL T. AND ANNA N. W. HOBBS FUND

P. **Educational Classes —**

No. 1 — Juniors under 14 years.

No. 2 — Seniors - 14 through 20 years

No. 3 — Club or group exhibit.

$100.00 may be used.

THE COULSON FUND

Q. **Educational Class — Adults**

$50.00 may be used.

Fruit Display —

No. 938 - Must contain at least three or more kinds of fruit. No restriction as to arrangement, not to exceed 30 square feet. $100.00 may be used for prizes. Notify the Office four days in advance.

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S. LOTHROP DAVENPORT AWARD

A Silver Medal, given in honor of Mr. Davenport, will be awarded at the discretion of the Judges to an exhibition of apples to recognize particular merit or excellence in quality.

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Apple Display —

No. 939 - 50 square feet. $150.00 may be used for prizes. Notify office 4 days in advance.

Apples, forty-nine specimens –

No. 940 - Baldwin	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 941 - McIntosh	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 942 - Delicious	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 943 - Cortland	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 944 - Macoun	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 945 - Golden Delicious	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00
No. 946 - Other named varieties. $50.00 may be used for prizes.				
No. 947 - Basket of Fancy Apples.	3.50	3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 948 - Basket of Fancy Pears.		3.00	2.50	2.00
(Baskets furnished by the Society)				

Apples, twelve specimens –

No. 949 - Baldwin	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 950 - Delicious	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 951 - McIntosh	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 952 - Cortland	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 953 - Macoun	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 954 - Northern Spy		3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 955 - R. I. Greening		3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 956 - Red Rome		3.00	2.50	2.00
No. 957 - Sweet varieties		2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 958 - New varieties. Introduced since 1940. $10.00 may be used for prizes.				
No. 959 - Old varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.				
No. 960 - Any other variety. $10.00 may be used.				

Crab Apples, twenty-four specimens –

No. 961 - Hyslop		3.00	2.50
No. 962 - Any other variety		3.00	2.50

COOK-DAVEY FUND

New Variety of Any Fruit (apples, pears, peaches, etc.)

R. Recent Introduction. Not scheduled.		5.00	4.00

WILLIAM EAMES FUND

S. Roxbury Russet	3.00	2.50	2.00
T. Golden Delicious	3.00	2.50	2.00

THE THAYER MEDAL

A Silver Medal will be awarded at the discretion of the Judges to an outstanding plate of Pears.

Pears, twelve specimens —

No. 963 - Bosc	3.50	3.00	2.50
No. 964 - Anjou	3.50	3.00	2.50

No. 965 - New varieties. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 966 - Any other variety. $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Cranberries, Wild, one pint, no restrictions —

No. 967 - $5.00 may be used for prizes.

Any other Fruits —

No. 968 - $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Nuts — grown in Worcester County —

No. 969 - Display of edible nuts. $25.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 970 - One pint of each or any of the following:
Chestnuts, Butternuts, Black Walnuts
Hickory, Filbert, Hartnuts, English Walnuts, etc.
$15.00 may be used for prizes.

HERBERT R. KINNEY MEMORIAL AWARD

A bronze medal will be awarded at the discretion of the judges to the best non-commercial Display of Vegetables.

Brussel Sprouts —

No. 971 - Two one-quart baskets.	2.00	1.50	1.00	.50

Carrots, twelve specimens —

No. 972 - Any variety	2.00	1.50	1.00	.75	.50

Cauliflower —

No. 973 - Three specimens	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50

Celery, blanched, three specimens -

No. 974 - Pascal Summer	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50
No. 975 - Any other variety	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50

Onion, twelve specimens —

No. 976 - White Globe	2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
No. 977 - Red Globe	2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
No. 978 - Ebenezer	2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
No. 979 - Yellow Danvers	2.00	1.50	1.00	.50

No. 980 - Any other variety. $8.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 981 - Hybrid varieties. $5.00 may be used for prizes.

Cabbage, three specimens —					
No. 982 - Savoy		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 983 - Any variety		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
Parsnip, twelve specimens —					
No. 984 - Any variety		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
Sugar Pumpkins —					
No. 985 - Three specimens		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
Field Pumpkins —					
No. 986 Two specimens		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
Squash, three specimens —					
No. 987 - Blue Hubbard	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 988 - Butternut. $15.00 may be used for prizes.					
No. 989 - Hercules type		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 990 - Buttercup		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 991 - Table Queen Type		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 992 - Jumbo Table Queen		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 993 - Delicious		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 994 - Waltham Butternut		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
No. 995 - Any other variety		2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00
Turnip, twelve specimens —					
No. 996 - Purple Top Globe			2.00	1.50	1.00
Turnip, six specimens —					
No. 997 - Rutabaga or Swedish			2.00	1.50	1.00
Potato, twelve specimens —					
No. 998 - Green Mountain	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
No. 999 - Katahdin		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
No. 1000 - Chippewa		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
No. 1001 - Superior		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
No. 1002 - Kennebec	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
No. 1003 - New varieties. $10.00 may be used for prizes.					
No. 1004 - Any other variety		2.00	1.50	1.00	.50
Watermelon, three specimens -					
No. 1005 - Any variety				2.50	2.00	1.50

New Vegetable — Variety

No. 1006 - Recent Introductions. $20.00 may be used for prizes.

Any other Vegetable — (Not Otherwise Listed)

No. 1007 - $10.00 may be used for prizes.

Vegetables –

No. 1008 - Market Baskets furnished by Society. Baskets to be so filled that it is possible to carry without contents falling off. $30.00 may be used for prizes. No prize over $3.50.

No. 1009 - Display - Commercial - not to exceed 24 sq. ft.
$50.00 may be used for prizes.
Notify the Office 4 days in advance.

No. 1009A- Display - Non-commercial - not to exceed 18 sq. ft.
$50.00 may be used for prizes.
Notify the office 4 days in advance.

Ornamental Gourds, Natural –

No. 1010 - Display – not to exceed 15 square feet.
$30.00 may be used for prizes. Notify the Office 4 days in advance.

Collection of Ornamental Corn

No. 1011 - Display - $30.00 available for prizes.

Largest Squash or Pumpkin –

No. 1012 - $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Field Beans –

No. 1013 - Collection. $15.00 may be used for prizes.

Special Class for Children from 10 to 19 years –
(May be set up the night before)

No. 1014 - Juniors, under 14 years.
A vase of dried material artistically arranged.
$10.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 1015 - Seniors - 14 to 20 years.
A vase of dried material artistically arranged.
$15.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 1016 - Juniors, under 14 years.
Two to five vegetable specimens grown by the exhibitor.
$10.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 1017 - Seniors - 14 to 20 years.
Two to five vegetable specimens grown by the exhibitor.
$15.00 may be used for prizes.

No. 1018 – Vegetable Display – for Children.
$15.00 may be used for prizes.

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ANNUAL MEETING - Thursday - January 18, 1979

Premiums will be paid after the Harvest Festival –
State Award Money will be sent out upon receipt of same.

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THE LIBRARY OF THE WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The Library Committee wish to call your attention to the Library and Reading Room, where the librarian is always ready to extend every facility possible to those in search of horticultural information.

WILD FLOWERS GUIDE

The following list is recommended as a guide which may help plant collectors who hope to display Wild Flowers at the Worcester County Horticultural Society Exhibits.

GROUP I

Not to be shown at any time	*Common Name*
1. Aletris farinosa	Colic root
2. All orchids except no. 6 and 11 in Group II	
3. Asclepias tuberosa	Butterfly-weed
4. Castilleja coccinea	Painted-cup
5. Clematis verticillaris	Purple Virgin's Bower
6. Dicentra canadensis	Squirrel Corn
7. Dicentra cucullaria	Dutchman's Breeches
8. Epigaea repens	Mayflower
9. Gentiana crinita	Fringed Gentian
10. Linnaea borealis	Twin Flower
11. Lobelia cardinalis	Cardinal Flower
12. Orontium aquaticum	Golden Club
13. Pentstemon (all)	Pentstemon
14. Rhododendron maximum	Rhododendron

GROUP II

Not to be pulled up; parts above the roots may be shown with moderation.	*Common Name*
1. Actaea pachypoda	White Baneberry
2. Actaea rubra	Red Baneberry
3. Aquilegia canadensis	Columbine
4. Calluna vulgaris	Heather
5. Claytonia caroliniana	Spring Beauty
6. Cypripedium acaule	Pink Ladies' Slipper
7. Dentaria diphylla	Toothwort
8. Genista tinctoria	Genista
9. Gentiana andrewsii	Closed Gentian
10. Gentiana linearis	Narrow-leaved Gentian
11. Habenaria lacera	Ragged Fringed Orchid
12. Hepatica americana	Hepatica
13. Lilium canadense	Canada Lily
14. Lilium philadelphicum	Wood Lily
15. Sarracenia purpurea	Pitcher Plant
16. Viola pubescens	Yellow Violet

GROUP III

All others may be shown, but use judgment in picking.
Never pick the last specimen.
Flowers under cultivation are not classed as Wild Flowers.

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American Forests
American Fruit Grower
American Horticulturist
American Iris Society
American Nurseryman
American Rhododendron Society
American Rose Magazine
Arnoldia
Bay State African Violet Society
Country Journal
Daffodil Journal
Florists' Review
Flower & Garden
Fruit Varieties Journal
Garden Journal of the N.Y. Botanical Garden
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Greener Gardening
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Horticultural Society of N.Y. Bulletin
Horticulture
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Market Growers Journal
National Chrysanthemum Society
New England Gardening
Organic Gardening & Farming
P.H.S. News
Plants Alive
Plants & Gardens - Brooklyn Botanic Garden Record
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Sunset
Worcester County Farmer

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OFFICERS OF THE YEAR 1978

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REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1977
30 ELM STREET, WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS

TRANSACTIONS 1978

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

In some ways this has been a difficult, challenging year, and yet a most rewarding time to be intimately associated with the Worcester County Horticultural Society. Difficult and challenging as our Executive Director, Harlan T. Pierpont due to an untimely accident has retired - leaving a gap that is difficult to fill. Yet, it has been rewarding for the interest in gardening has never been greater - new exhibitors are displaying specimen materials to ever larger crowds at all our shows.

There is no other group, organization, or Society in the entire Northeast that stages nine yearly shows - spring, summer, and fall - and exhibits them in a magnificent, well-maintained building such as we are in today.

You have just heard the reports from fifteen dedicated committee chairpeople. They represent the time and efforts of some one hundred and seventy committee people who are effectively working together to maintain and develop this Society for the people of Worcester County.

Your Search Committee is actively seeking a new Executive Director who will aid the Society in reaching new horticultural heights. Advertisements have been placed in major newspapers and horticultural magazines; personal contacts have been pursued. The response has been gratifying. Over two dozen individuals have submitted resumes. Initial screening of the first group of applicants has been accomplished. The Committee will continue to process applications until we find the dynamic, innovative leader this Society deserves.

Until such time as the new Executive Director is chosen, I am confident that with the able assistance - really heroic dedication - of Fayre Nason and Ed Herron and with the continued involvement and enthusiasm of our members and friends we will continue to be the vital, moving force for horticulture in Worcester County.

As your President, I wish to sincerely thank each one of you personally for your many and varied contributions - it is a privilege and pleasure to serve the cause of horticulture with you in the Worcester County Horticultural Society.

Paul E. Rogers, President

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The Building Committee, James Mistark, Thomas Simone and myself, along with Paul Rogers and Edward Herron, visited the Front Street property late in August. Mr. Dean Marcus the tenant, sub-leases part of the building to others (Church of Scientology) and a small office space on the second floor. He is responsible for the building. I presume thru Newbury, but we have the right to inspect the building, to see that it is kept in good codition.

The building alongside the one we own is owned by the Taylor Trust. The two together are like Siamese twins. The two together are one, which I think, were two. Sounds confusing. I think some time or another the wall between the two buildings was torn out to make a large store. I suppose the division can be restored and two buildings will be the result. Mr. Marcus gave us the tour from the first floor to the roof. Our side of the building is in what I think is fairly good condition. It contains the heating system, air conditioning and an escalator to the second floor. Our heating system takes care of the Taylor Trust building. We did not check or mention the sprinkler system that I can remember. Maybe this should be checked. The whole place upstairs is quite dirty and dusty, no one ever cleans. There is a lot of junk laying around like fixtures used in a retail business and many wooden bins in which merchandise was stored. All this is of not much concern because the original contract, according to others, calls for the building to be clean when the lease expires. Much of the above has at least junk value. There is also an elevator in the building which I suppose works, although we walked. The roof seemed to be leak proof, with some litter which we asked him to remove. There was also a small water leak in a pipe which he was asked to fix.

The lease expires in July 1979, and like all other property, it looks better for a buyer when it is occupied. I hope we sell or lease it before the old lease runs out. I suppose some committee has this responsibility.

Gustaf C. Nelson, Chairman
Building Committee

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Statement of Income and Expenses
For the Year ended November 30, 1977

INCOME		
Contributions	$ 15,165	
Membership dues	7,650	
Show admissions	10,502	
Tours and lectures - net	1,236	
Experimental orchard - net	1,172	
Bulb sale - net	389	
Use of Horticultural Hall	2,780	
Interest (Endowment Funds)	2,718	
Dividends and interest (Current Funds)	7,750	
Rent - Front Street real estate	40,000	
Total income		$ 89,362
EXPENSES		
Salaries	26,831	
Payroll taxes	1,855	
Awards and scholarships	11,543	
Exhibition expenses	5,317	
Children's gardens	466	
Library services	1,003	
Employees' retirement fund	800	
Professional fees	1,779	
Office supplies and expense	3,389	
Postage	1,042	
Heat, light and power	6,727	
Building repairs and maintenance	3,588	
Public relations	657	
Investment management fees	1,017	
Insurance	4,480	
Total expenses		70,494
		18,868
OTHER		
Gain on sale of securities - net		280
Net income for the year		19,148
FUND BALANCES		
December 1, 1976		404,319
November 30, 1977		$423,467

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Balance Sheet
November 30, 1977

CURRENT FUNDS - UNRESTRICTED		
Assets:		
Cash	$ 12,506	
Certificates of deposit	19,539	
Interest receivable	2,044	
Investment held under agency agreement (market value $155,405)	148,939	
Total assets		$183,028
Liabilities:		
Employees' funds	$ 127	
Total liabilities		$ 127
Fund balance:		
Designated for:		
Long-term investments	148,939	
Capital repairs	2,000	
Unemployment payments	1,000	
Scholarship fund	3,167	
Undesignated	27,795	182,901
Total liabilities and fund balance		$183,028
CURRENT FUNDS - RESTRICTED		
Assets:		
Cash	$ 3,229	
Interest receivable	235	
Total assets		$ 3,464
Fund balance		$ 3,464
LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FUND		
Assets:		
Land, building and equipment	$534,638	
Less - Accumulated depreciation	332,138	
Total assets		$202,500
Fund balance		$202,500
ENDOWMENT FUNDS		
Assets:		
Cash	$ 5,852	
Certificates of deposit	28,750	
Total assets		$ 34,602
Fund balances		$ 34,602

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Endowment Funds
November 30, 1977

	PRINCIPAL AMOUNT	EARNINGS FOR YEAR	EARNINGS RESTRICTED FOR
Francis Henshaw Dewey Fund	$ 1,000	$ 77	Books for library
William Eames Fund	500	39	Prizes
Frederick A. Blake Fund	1,000	77	Prizes
Edwin Draper Fund	300	23	Prizes
Miss Frances Clary Morse Fund	500	39	Prizes
Miss Lucy M. Coulson Fund	1,000	77	Prizes
G. A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	77	Prizes
Chandler Bullock Fund	1,000	77	Prizes
Miss Elizabeth R. Bishop Fund	500	39	Prizes
Samuel T. and Anna N. W. Hobbs Fund	5,000	386	Children's interests
Edward Winslow Lincoln Fund	1,000	77	Unrestricted
Cook-Davey Fund	600	47	New fruits, scholarships
Elouise S. Knight Memorial Fund	1,000	77	Prizes - children
Gerald Fales Memorial Fund	1,000	77	Prizes
Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	77	Prizes
George B. Slater Fund	470	36	Prizes
The Thayer Fund	2,000	176	Prizes
Hadwen Fund	1,000	77	Unrestricted
National Association of Gardeners Fund	1,189	81	Scholarships ($65) and add to principal ($16)
Harvie Channin Educational Fund	2,043	138	Scholarships ($111) and add to principal ($27)
Mrs. Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	89	Prizes
Myron F. Converse Memorial Fund	10,000	844	Prizes ($422) and library ($422)
Children's Garden Fund	500	11	Children's garden
Total funds	$34,602		
Total earnings		$2,718	

Contributions to the Society have been received during 1977 from the following members and friends and are deeply appreciated.

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REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Soociety

On July 23 the Children's corner in our Library was formally dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Bertha G. Denny. This completes one of the major projects of the Library Committee. It involved building up a very comprehensive collection of books and periodicals, which will appeal to youngsters and the requisition (an anonymous gift) of a low table and comfortable chairs, which harmonize with our beautiful Library. We would suggest that if members and friends acquaint young people with our facilities, they would help to develop potential horticulturists and new members for our Society; this would be an appropriate way to honor Mrs. Denny.

We have increased the number of our books during the past year by 55, both by purchase and gifts. We are most appreciative of the latter and gratefully acknowledge the following donors:

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Alden G. Smith
Mrs. Katherine Walker

Our committee has conscientiously met regularly during the year in order to maintain the quality and attractiveness of the Library; our new member, Mr. John Chadwick has been a helpful addition. One of our meetings celebrated the 90th birthday of our chairman, Edwin Proctor.

We have installed a large slot in the outside door on Chestnut Street enabling the return of borrowed books at anytime, even if the building is closed. We hope this will be another inducement to make more use of our Library, which is the foremost hope of your Library Committee.

Kenneth Knight, Co-chairman
Library Committee

REPORT OF THE FRUIT COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The shock and sadness I express over God's calling of James Mistark has left me speechless. (Moment of silence)

The Orchard and Fruit Committee met in September of 1977 and elected me the chairman as Jim had expressed a desire to be relieved of his responsibilities and physical labor of the scion program.

The Committee recommended that Jeff Cross of the Charlton Orchards work with Jim this year so the continuity of the program would carry on. Through our President, Jeff has been retained, visited the Orchard and I'm positive the program will carry on with the same quality as in the past.

Scions will be obtained from Creeper Hill Orchard again this year as our growth at Sturbridge did not progress as well as expected.

The May snow storm seemed not to effect the bud blossom fruit production.

Scions orders for 1977-78 are being processed.

To date we have 119 varieties (list attached) in the Preservation Orchard and room for 12 more. The site was limed this fall and each tree fertilized as recommended by the Committee.

Fruit was sampled (26 varieties) by some of you at the Orchard Trustees meeting and the remainder was used by OSV Education Department in our school program, letting the children know cider does not come from a plastic bottle.

Now that Jim Mistark and Mr. Davenport have joined company again our orchard will flourish through the hand of God.

Loren Manbeck, Chairman
Preservation Orchard & Fruit Com.

REPORT OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The past year was especially fruitful for the young people participating in exhibitions and gardens. More young people exhibited than ever before. There was a noticeable increase in vegetables shown as so many families are finding renewed pleasure in growing and preserving food.

A special thank you to Mr. Howard Borggaard and Mr. Arthur J. O'Mara for their time and patience in judging gardens.

Members of the Youth Committee - Isabelle Choate, Melinda Dow and Heidi Hundahl were very helpful in preparing a list of hints to help new exhibitors.

I would suggest that these people who help as hostesses at youth shows should be wearing identification badges.

It has been a great year in gardening with the young people.

Olive Prunier, Chairman
Youth Committee

MEMBERSHIP 1977

During 1977, 134 Annual Members joined our Society (91 full year and 43 ½ year members), 2 new Life Members and 2 Life Members changed from Annual to life. We have lost 18 by death and 106 failed to renew. The present membership is 1,135.

Following are listed new members in 1977:

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The following members have passed away since the 1976 Annual Meeting:

Mr. Allen W. Adshead	Auburn
Mrs. Hollis E. Alden	Worcester
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Mr. Judson M. Goodnow	Princeton
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Mr. Francis L. Rimbach	Pacific Grove, California
Mr. Robert C. Shoemaker	Holden
Mr. Rex P. Winslow	Oxford

REPORT OF THE GARDEN TOURS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

Many of you have made these trips last year, but briefly I shall recall them to you.

May 18 we went to Brooklyn Botanical Garden, then on to Howard Johnson's in Westbury, L.I., for dinner and overnight. The next morning to PLANTING FIELDS ARBORETUM at Oyster Bay, and after a picnic lunch at Old Wesbury Gardens, spent a few hours walking around and going through the mansion of the late John S. Phipps which is delightfully furnished about as it was when the family lived there so graciously.

Early in June, visiting the Stone Estate in Marion, Mass., to see the rhododendron display and picnic, and walk through the magnificient gardens, before going to the Allen Haskell Greenhouses in New Bedford.

July, our trip was to the great Crane Estate in Dalton, Mass. In spite of the rain, seeing the well known lathe-house with its hanging baskets of lantana, begonias and others; the formal garden of the great house beyond the enormous layout of succulents; and the greenhouses where Winnie Crane greeted us so graciously. Then onto a memorable lunch in Lenox, followed by a stop at the Berkshire Garden Centre before heading for home, still in the rain, which in no way dampened our enthusiasm.

On a lovely August day we spent a few hours at the new Quincy Market Restoration around Faneuil Hall in Boston, enjoying the various stalls and bazaar atmosphere. In the afternoon, under the guidance of George Pride we headed for Waltham Experimental Field Station to see the colorful new hybrids which are now listed in the current Spring calalogues. From these by special invitation to the gardens of Lola Fraim nearby for a walk in quiet seclusion ending at the punch bowl.

It has been a real joy for the Garden Tours Committee to work with Harlan who did all the follow-up details at our suggestions, with the help of Fayre who did the work.

It is my hope that the Trustees and Executives in their wisdom, will encourage the continuance of these tours which bring so much to so many.

Marguerite J. Longstreet, Chairman
Garden Tours Committee

REPORT OF HERB AND WILDFLOWER JUDGE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

As usual, it has been a pleasure to judge wildflowers and herbs at the shows. Although the entries stay at about the same number, the exhibitors change... and the species vary.

The herb exhibitors constantly amaze and delight me, and all other viewers I'm sure, with the intriguing ways they dream up to present herbs in new and interesting ways.

If all our viewers have enjoyed the displays and learned as much as I have in judging them, then the exhibitors can certainly feel their efforts have been appreciated.

Virginia Howie
Wild Flower/Herb Judge

REPORT OF THE JUDGE OF VEGETABLES

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

I do not need to tell you that the vegetables placed on exhibit in the West Hall added to the pleasure of viewing our shows. You saw them yourselves and I need not attempt to recreate with words what the displays themselves had already told you.

I counted the individual plates displayed during the last three years and my records show a surprizing uniformity in numbers of exhibits. My figures are not 100% accurate as I missed one show, but do indicate that interest hasn't been lost altogether. 1975 had 371 in six shows; 1976 had 320 in the five shows I have records on and the 1977 season had 334 which averages out to 342 each season. Not too bad but I'd enjoy seeing it considerably higher.

I still enjoy judging the shows and wish to take this opportunity to thank all who assisted me.

Howard L. Borggaard
Judge of Vegetables

REPORT OF JUDGE OF PLANTS AND FLOWERS

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

This was my second year as your flower judge. During 1977 flowers and plants were evaluated at seven shows: March 10, July 8, July 23, August 18, September 15, November 3. For most shows I had the able assistance of Arthur O'Mara and a graduate student, George Bacon of Holliston. Lewis Hodgkinson, kindly judged the September Dahlia show during my vacation.

The committee judges all flowers and plants, commercial and amateur, other than those specialty flowers covered by association, at various shows. In addition, from time to time, we have been called upon to judge such other items as educational exhibits and Christmas Trees!

We attempt to follow closely the judging criteria in the premium lists for each show and where possible leave comments on displays which may be helpful in the future shows. I have been pleased with the quality of exhibits this past year and have been encouraged by the interest of younger exhibitors on whose shoulders shows of the future will rest.

Monetary and other awards for exhibits were quite adequate and the flexibility given to judges on most of these is most helpful.

We hope that precise andcompassionate judging will continue to raise the quality of flower and plant displays and encourage new exhibitors.

H.Thurston Handley, Jr.
Flower and Plant Judge

REPORT OF THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The Hospitality Committee of the Worcester County Horticultural Society is indeed a very busy one, not only for the Flower Shows, but also for the other planned gatherings.

All of our activities were carried out entirely by most helpful volunteers.

My humble thanks go to Mrs. Goodale and Mrs. Morris, who continued on from the previous years of Hospitality Co-chairmen, to serve refreshments for the Winter Lecture Series.

The Spring and Harvest Flower Shows were well covered by the enthusiastic Hosts and Hostesses from our Society.

Garden Club representatives who were not involved exhibiting, were most willing to fill in needed hours at the Spring Flower Show.

The reception for members at the Preview of the Spring Flower Show was a great success.

The Garden Awards was also very busy.

Volunteers hosted six flower exhibitions from May through September.

Our committee never failed when called upon, and we extend grateful thanks to them. Ed Herron always deserves thanks for his cheerful help. Fayre Nason was my valuable advisor at all times.

Barbara Butler, Chairman,
Hospitality Committee

REPORT OF GARDEN AWARDS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The Garden Awards Committee has had a busy and productive year. The members of the Committee during the past year have been Mrs. George Comstock, Miss Isabel Arms, Mr. Bernard Knowlton, Mr. Edward Eagan and Mr. Merritt Cutting.

During the spring, summer and early fall, your committee searched the County for gardens of unusual merit. A good number were found worthy of consideration, and in the fall all the slides were viewed. One bank,one funeral home, one retirement home and nineteen private home gardens were selected for the Parsons Garden Award.

The slides were shown and the awards presented at a well attended party on the afternoon of January 12. Refreshments were served by the Hospitality Committee after the awards presentation.

Your committee has had good help in the past from the members of the Society in spotting outstanding gardens, and we solicit that help next year. You may call the members of the committee or Mrs. Nason at the Library.

Merritt E. Cutting, Chairman

Garden Awards Committee

REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The Personnel Committee reports with regret the retirement of Harlan Pierpont as Executive Director after a severe accident. Steps are being taken to secure a replacement and you will hear more of this in another report.

In recognition of their valuable contribution to the Society and stimulated by the extra burden caused by Harlan's absence the Committee made a small adjustment in the compensation of Fayre Nason and Ed Herron. We should also thank other members for assistance in carrying the added load -- especially our President, Paul Rogers.

The Committee thought it would be nice for Harlan to have some tangible remembrance of eight years with us, and so at the first appropriate opportunity we will present him with a Silver Medal inscribed: Harlan P. Pierpont, Jr., Executive Director 1969-1977 -- in Grateful Appreciation.

Arthur D. Keown, Chairman
Personnel Committee

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

To the Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The Public Relations Committee has not met often this year, but we have been active nonetheless.

For the big Spring and Fall shows, we send out releases to approximately 25 daily newspapers (addressed to "City Editor"), to 15 weeklies, and to 15 magazines and monthly newspapers. We send special letters to about 30 other people (columnists, gardening sections, local college Botany Departments, etc.) Special attention is paid to the "Calendar" listings in Telegram and Gazette. The special writers for all three of these Worcester papers have been very good to us, but we get limited coverage elsewhere.

We send radio/TV announcements of these shows (addressed to "Public Service Announcements") to 8 local radio stations and 1 TV, and to about 20 area radio stations and 10 area TV stations, including Boston, Providence, Springfield and Hartford. All these stations are required to do a certain amount of public service" broadcasting, so they usually run our notices. One good mention of a show on Paul Rogers' "Gardener's Calendar" on WTAG Saturday morning is worth 1000 words in a newspaper!

We send to a shorter list of newspapers and radio/TV stations for the smaller summer shows, I think we get very good coverage.

Every time this committee has met, formally or by telephone, the members have contributed good ideas, and we try to follow through on them. I am particularly grateful to the county members of the committee, who remind us that everything is not Worcester,

Polly Cowan, Chairman
Public Relations Committee

REPORT OF THE WINTER LECTURES COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

On August 28, 1977, the Lecture Committee met to set up the program of Winter Lectures.

With the able assistance of Mrs.Nason and Paul Rogers, we outlined the following:

Dec. 1	Mrs. Susan Thomas	"Christmas thru the House"	2 P.M.
Feb. 16	Paul Rogers	"Gardens of Olde England"	7:30 P.M.
Mar. 16	H.Thurston Handley	"New Plants, New Varieties of old Favorites"	2 P.M.
April 20	Carl A. Totemeier, Jr.	"Perennials - Old and New"	2 P.M.

The Committee made two changes in the format used in the last year or so. Mrs. Thomas was considered favorably last year and a talk on Christmas decorations is best given just before the Holidays - and January is a busy month at the Hall, so we decided to try a December date. From all reports Mrs. Thomas and her lecture were well received.

The second change is the February Lecture. Many members and potential members miss the lectures because of the daytime format, so Paul Rogers graciously agreed to give his talk on "Gardens of Olde England" in the evening. Naturally, the Lecture Committee hope that this event will be well attended and reach many friends of the Society that are usually denied the privilege of attending any of the Winter Lecture Series.

Jean D. Rommel, Chairman
Winter Lecture Committee

REPORT OF EXHIBITION COMMITTEE

To the Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society

The purpose of the Exhibition Committee is to plan the shows, to set dates, to improve shows wherever possible, to change the schedule for calls when needed, to initiate new ideas and to encourage exhibitors, new ones as well as those who have been with us many years. One of the most important meetings is that one in late November or early December to discuss plans for the following year.

The shows that the Society sponsored this last year are:

The Spring Flower Show - always the most popular which includes the Tearoom, our recent innovation.

The Daffodil Show, in co-operation with the American Daffodil Society, which was a disappointment due to the weather.

The Rose Exhibitions - and the Lily Exhibition in co-operation with the New England Regional Lily Group - were beautiful as usual.

The Hemerocallis Exhibition was held in co-operation with Region 4 of the American Hemerocallis Society. This is a group of very interested growers.

The Dahlia Exhibition is becoming more important each year.

The Young Peoples Exhibition is the one that we all look forward to. This group of youngsters is the future of the Society. We have many enthusiastic boys and girls who are excellent growers.

The Fall Garden Exhibit was held again this last year at the Galleria.

A report is not complete without mention of the wonderful exhibits of fruit and vegetables which first appear in June and carry on through to the spectacular displays at the Harvest Festival.

If someone should ask me what's new, I would say that there is an enthusiastic group of young exhibitors and a tremendous surge of interest in house plants.

I wish to thank the many members of the Exhibition Committee - and my very special, special thanks to Fayre Nason and Ed Herron.

Alice S. Milton, Chairman
Exhibition Committee

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

Throughout its one hundred thirty-six year history, our Society has been subject to the capricious whims of economics, changing interests, and varied philosophies and it has adapted, adjusted, and endured.

Though the Society began with a financial liability of some ten thousand dollars, at least twice history records that the Worcester County Horticultural Society was commended as "the second wealthiest Horticultural Society in the World," and later as "the richest Society of its kind in the world."

Unfortunately, these are not recent quotes. As you will hear today, positive, prudent actions have been implemented to lessen the impact of the loss of rental revenue from our Front Street property. But just as in the past, it is incumbent on each member to assist as resources permit.

As you know, the Society was founded to advance the science and encourage and improve the practice of horticulture. This has been variously interpreted to include: in 1867 "to fight insects"; in 1895 as a "means of raising women from the low state of health to which they are doomed by the fashion of the day"; the development of Victory gardens; establishment of the Preservation Orchard; and a plethera of additional horticultural activities.

Just as we have not won the fight with insects, much also remains to be done to advance the art and practice of horticulture relative and relevent to Society's current needs.

This past year has been one of challenges and change, a time of search and success. A period when an interested, involved, concerned membership has appointed a new Executive Director and chartered a forceful, vigorous course to overcome the obstacles and embrace the opportunities of the future.

My personal thanks to committee chairmen, judges, exhibitors, hosts, members, and staff who have given so generously of their time and expertise in 1978.

It has been a privilege and honor to be a part, with you, of the Worcester County Horticultural Society.

Paul E. Rogers
President

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Building and Grounds Committee would like to report that our building is in pretty good shape. In any building, as it grows older, problems do develope. Mr. Stephens and our custodian, Mr. Gotha, discovered that some of the electric wiring needs replacing.

Our generator is being brought back to working condition. The electrical contractor we had thinks it never was very good, so it has been a real problem. This is the machine that creates electricity in an emergency, should the electricity be cut off. It is in working condition as of the last two days, but there is still some testing to be done. There are other minor problems to be solved with regard to venting the exhaust and providing fresh air for the machine.

At the last Trustees' Meeting, it was voted to install our own sound system. Up to this time we have hired someone to provide sound for us, especially at the Spring Flower Show. This new system is one of those things that pay for itself in a relatively short time. This work is in progress, unless it was completed yesterday. (I mention this because I don't know if it will be in anyone elses report).

The ladies of the various garden clubs have been frustrated many times in the past, trying to make backgrounds for their exhibits in the lower hall. There has been nothing to fasten their trees, trellises, or whatever to the wall. Years ago 2 x 4's were painted and fastened to the wall 8 feet from the floor in the West Hall. They worked wonderfully well. The ladies asked if something similar could be installed for them. Permission was granted. Work is to be done before the Spring Show.

Gustaf C. Nelson, Chairman
Building and Grounds Committee

KLEBER A. CAMPBELL, 3RD
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Worcester County Horticultural Society
30 Elm Street
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I have examined the balance sheet of the Worcester County Horticultural Society as of November 30, 1978 and the related statements of income and expenditures and fund balances for the year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly the financial position of the Worcester County Horticultural Society at November 30, 1978 and the results of its operation for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Certified Public Accountant

February 8, 1979

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Balance Sheet
November 30, 1978

CURRENT FUNDS - UNRESTRICTED		
Assets:		
Cash	$ 7,600	
Certificates of deposit including accrued interest	34,555	
Invested funds held under agency agreement (market value $158,850)	156,053	
Total assets		$ 198,208
Liabilities:		
Employees' withholdings	$ 983	
Total liabilities		$ 983
Fund balance		197,225
Total liabilities and fund balance		$ 198,208
CURRENT FUNDS - RESTRICTED		
Assets:		
Cash	$ 4,153	
Interest receivable	417	
Total assets		$ 4,570
Fund balance		$ 4,570
LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FUND		
Assets:		
Land, buildings and equipment	$ 534,638	
Less - Accumulated depreciation	332,138	
Total assets		$ 202,500
Fund balance		$ 202,500
ENDOWMENT FUNDS		
Assets:		
Cash	$ 64	
Certificates of deposit	35,613	
Total assets		$ 35,677
Fund balances		$ 35,677

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

KLEGER & CAMPBELL, 3RD. CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Statement of Income and Expenditures and Fund Balances
For the Year ended November 30, 1978

CURRENT FUNDS - UNRESTRICTED

Income:		
Contributions	$ 8,358	
Membership dues	7,882	
Show admissions	10,403	
Educational services - net	159	
Experimental orchard - net	584	
Bulb and mug sales - net	762	
Use of Horticultural Hall	2,105	
Dividends and interest	10,516	
Rent - Front Street real estate	40,000	
Total income		$ 80,769
Expenditures:		
Salaries	26,430	
Payroll taxes	1,508	
Awards and scholarships	8,096	
Exhibition expenses - net	4,392	
Children's gardens	575	
Library services - net	316	
Tours and lectures - net	295	
Employees' retirement	800	
Professional fees	500	
Office supplies and expense	3,695	
Postage	986	
Heat, light and power	7,398	
Building repairs and maintenance	4,950	
Public relations	522	
Investment management fees	1,108	
Insurance	5,092	
Miscellaneous expense	761	
Total expenditures		67,424
		13,345
Other:		
Gain on sale of securities - net		936
Net income		14,281
Fund balance:		
December 31, 1977		182,944
November 30, 1978		$ 197,225

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KLEBER A CAMPBELL, 3RD, CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Statements of Income and Expenditures and Fund Balances
For the Year ended November 30, 1978

CURRENT FUNDS - RESTRICTED

Income:		
Interest		$ 2,701
Expenditures:		
Awards	$ 967	
Scholarships	324	
Library	211	
Addition to endowment fund principal	50	1,552
Net income		1,149
Fund balance:		
December 1, 1977		3,421
November 30, 1978		$ 4,570

LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FUND

Fund balance:	
December 1, 1977 and November 30, 1978	$ 202,500

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Additions:	
Contributions	$ 1,025
Restricted income added to principal	50
Total additions	1,075
Fund balances:	
December 1, 1977	34,602
November 30, 1978	$ 35,677

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KLEBER & CAMPBELL, 3RD, CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Endowment Funds
November 30, 1978

	Principal Amount	Earnings For Year	Earnings Restricted For
Francis Henshaw Dewey Fund	$ 1,000	$ 77	Books for library
William Eames Fund	500	38	Prizes
Frederick A. Blake Fund	1,000	77	Prizes
Edwin Draper Fund	300	23	Prizes
Miss Frances Clary Morse Fund	500	38	Prizes
Miss Lucy M. Coulson Fund	1,000	77	Prizes
G. A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	77	Prizes
Chandler Bullock Fund	1,000	77	Prizes
Miss Elizabeth R. Bishop Fund	500	38	Prizes
Samuel T. and Anna N. W. Hobbs Fund	5,000	385	Children's interests
Edward Winslow Lincoln Fund	1,000	77	Unrestricted
Cook-Davey Fund	600	46	New fruits, scholarships
Elouise S. Knight Memorial Fund	1,000	77	Prizes - children
Gerald Fales Memorial Fund	1,000	77	Prizes
Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	77	Prizes
George B. Slater Fund	470	36	Prizes
Thayer Fund	2,000	154	Prizes
Hadwen Fund	1,000	77	Unrestricted
National Association of Gardeners Fund	1,207	92	Scholarships ($74) and add to principal ($18)
Harvie Channin Educational Fund	2,075	157	Scholarships ($125) and add to principal ($32)
Mrs. Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	77	Prizes
Myron F. Converse Memorial Fund	10,000	770	Prizes ($385) and library ($385)
Children's Garden Fund	500	38	Children's garden
Warren Higgins Fund	1,000	38	Prizes
Scholarship Fund	25	1	Scholarships
Total funds	$ 35,677		
Total earnings		$ 2,701	

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

KLEBER A CAMPBELL, 3RD, CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies
and Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year ended November 30, 1978

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

BASIS OF PRESENTATION - The financial statements have been prepared using the cash basis of accounting. As a result they do not reflect accrued income, prepaid expenses, accounts payable or accrued expenses.

LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT - All fixed assets are fully depreciated.

Notes to Financial Statements

INVESTED FUNDS HELD UNDER AGENCY AGREEMENT - During the year ended November 30, 1978 the net income and realized net gain on the sale of investments were reinvested. The following is a summary of the activity:

Income:		
Interest	$ 2,710	
Dividends	4,576	$ 7,286
Gain on sale of securities - net		936
		8,222
Expenses:		
Management fees		1,108
		$ 7,114

No additional monies were added to the funds during the year.

RENTAL INCOME - The Society leases property under an agreement dated June 1, 1949 which runs until June 1, 1979. Among other things the agreement provides that the tenant is responsible for substantially all costs related to the operation of the property, including real estate taxes and insurance. The rent received is $40,000 per year.

EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLAN - At the beginning of the year the Society had retirement agreements with two of its employees whereby funds were set aside annually and accumulate for the benefit of each employee upon his retirement, death or disability. The funds are not reflected on the Society's books. The amounts set aside at the beginning of the year were $18,395. No contributions were made by the Society during the year as the agreements were superceded by new agreements providing for the payment of retirement plan contributions directly to the employees as additional compensation. Interest was added in the amount of $855. One of the covered employees retired during the year receiving a distribution of $17,018. The balance at the end of the year was $2,232.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURES - The following information further details items shown as - net:

	Income	Expense	Net Income (Expense)
Educational services	$ 547	$ 388	$ 159
Experimental orchard	$ 1,567	$ 983	$ 584
Bulb and mug sales	$ 1,119	$ 357	$ 762
Exhibition expenses	$ 2,408	$ 6,800	$(4,392)
Library services	$ 520	$ 836	$(316)
Tours and lectures	$ 1,422	$ 1,717	$ 295

KLEGER & CAMPBELL, 3RD. CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

Contributions to the Society have been received during 1978 from the following members and friends and are deeply appreciated.

A.

Abbott, Mr. Carroll
Andersson, Mr. & Mrs. K.G.A.
Anonymous Gift

B.

Byram, Mr. Joseph G.
Ball, Virginia
Beals, Mr. Philip C.
Benoit, Mr. Armand A.
Benoit, Dr. Noe N.
Bigelow, Mr. & Mrs. Palmer, Jr.
Blodget, Mr. Chester B.
Booth, Mrs. Howard M.
Borgatti, Mr. & Mrs. Anthony, Jr.
Borggaard, Mr. Howard L.
Brenner, Mrs. Amy
Bucinskas, Mr. & Mrs. Vincent
Burguet, Mrs. Jacques J.
Butler, Marion I.

C.

Carmin, H. I.
Chadwick, Mr. & Mrs. John S.
Clifford, Mr. & Mrs. Edward L.
Cowan, Mrs. Fairman C.
Crockett, Miss Evelyn F.
Curtis, Mr. John W.
Cutting, Mr. & Mrs. Merritt

D.

Dalbeck, Mrs. Donald H.
Daniels, Mrs. F. Harold
Davenport, Mr. & Mrs. Warren H.
Dewey, Mrs. Charles N.
Duffy, Mrs. Ralph E.

E.

Eastman, Mrs. Arthur
Engvall, Mrs. Richard
Erskine, Mr. Linwood M., Jr.

F.

Fletcher, Mrs. Paris
Fogarty, Margaret A.
Fraim, Mrs. Irving W.
Fuller, George F. & Sybil H. Foundation

G.

Gifford, Dr. & Mrs. Richard
Gleason, Dorothy M.

H.

Haffermehl, Mr. Forrest W.
Hansen, Mr. Ernest
Harney, Miss Marion
Harrington, Francis A. & Jacquelyn H. Foundation
Harrington, Mr. & Mrs. Frank L.
Harrington, Mrs. Maybelle F.
Heald Incorporated
Heald, Mrs. Roger N.
Hess, Mr. & Mrs. Robert G.
Heywood, Mrs. Chester D.
Higgins, Mr. & Mrs. Milton P.
Higgins, Mr. & Mrs. Warren
Hodgkinson, Mr. Lewis A.
Holton, Mrs. Darrell D.
Howard, Mrs. Arthur P.
Howie, Mrs. Virginia
Huff, Mr. & Mrs. Irvin
Hurlburt, Mr. & Mrs. H. Waite
Hutchins, Mr. Everett
Hutchinson, Miss Doris E.
Hyzer, Blanche F.

I.

Inman, Miss Marjorie
International Design Symposium

J.

Jenkins, Mr. Lloyd S.
Jeppson, Miss Britta D.
Jeppson Memorial Fund
Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. Robert

K.

Kasakoff, Mrs. Elisabeth
Keith, Mrs. Joseph L., III
Kelly, Mr. & Mrs. Bartow
Keown, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur
Kinney, Mrs. Azelda M.
Kinnicutt, Mr. & Mrs. Roger, Jr.
Knight, Mr. Kenneth H.
Knox, Mrs. Howard T.

L.

Lane, Mrs. Richard S.
Leclaire, Mrs. Ernest F.
Little, Mr. & Mrs. James G.
Little, Miss Rachel G.
Longstreet, Mrs. George H.
Lundin, Greta L.

M.

Mangold, Mrs. Wilfred J.
Merry Weeders Garden Club
Milton, Mrs. Robert C.
Morgan, Mrs. Myles
Morgan, Mrs. Philip M.
Morgan-Worcester

N.

Najarian, Mr. & Mrs. Arsen
Nason, Mr. & Mrs. Forrest C.
Nason, Mr. & Mrs. William H., Jr.
Nelson, Mrs. Peter A.
New England Regional Lily Group

O.

O'Mara, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur J.

P.

Perkins, Mr. & Mrs. Dwight A.
Piedmont Gardens
Piehler, Dr. & Mrs. Edmund O.
Plumley, Mr. & Mrs. H. Ladd
Princeton Garden Club

R.

Rice, Miss Rosemary
Ringe, Mr. Albert F.
Ritter, Mr. Ernest
Rommel, Mrs. John, Jr.
Ronald, Miss Marjorie
Rose, Mr. Donald P.

S.

Salo, Mr. Richard V.
Sandberg, Mr. & Mrs. Stanley A.
Sherman, Lily T.
Sherman, Margaret E. Trust
Smiley, Mr. & Mrs. Ray G.
Smiley, Mr. & Mrs. Robert
Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Leonard I.
Smith, Mr. Wayne C.
Stapor, Mr. Peter S.
Stephan, Mrs. William
Stephens, Mr. Kenn
Stinson, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas B.
Stoddard Charitable Trust
Stoddard, Mr. & Mrs. Robert W.
Symonds, Mr. Richard N.

T.

Tarbox, Mr. & Mrs. Roger B.
Taylor, Mr. & Mrs. John E.
Tessier, Mrs. Ernest
Thies, Prof. Wilbur H.
Trask, Miss Hazel G.

W.

Warburton, Mrs. Frank
Wells, Mrs. George B.
Wells, Mrs. Roy A.
Wheeler, Mrs. William A., III
Wilman, Mr. & Mrs. Rodney B.
Wolf, Mrs. Natalie W.
Wondolowski, Mrs. Joseph P.
Woolsey, Mr. & Mrs. John M., Jr.
Worcester Brush Company
Worcester County 4-H Advisory Council
Worcester Garden Club
Wright, Mrs. E. Stanley
Wylie, Dr. & Mrs. H. Lee

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The committee has maintained the attractiveness and resources of the Library during the past year.

101 books have been added; we gratefully acknowledge the gifts by the following members and friends:

American Camellia Society
American Plant Life
Mrs. Donald H. Dalbeck
Mr. Harry Dixon
Mrs. Roger N. Heald
New York Agricultural Station
Mr. Kenn Stephens
Mrs. Connie Thayer
Mr. Roy Wall
Margaret T. Wheatly
American Lily Society
American Rose Society
Mr. & Mrs. M. Cunningham & Family
Congressman Joseph D. Earley
Mr. Kenneth Lynch
Helen Ormond
Mr. Emerson Robarge
Mr. Arthur A. Turnbull
Mrs. Ruth Dyer Wells

Believing that the Library is in good comprehensive and contemporary condition, we have allowed a larger proportion of our budget to be used for the construction of shelving in our second floor stack room. This will enable the retirement of older, less attractive and less used books from our shelves in the Library, and yet have them available when needed.

We wish to take this opportunity to honor the passing of our good friend and fellow committee member, Edwin W. Proctor. His optimistic personality, intelligent and yet practical knowledge of Horticulture, generosity in sharing the products of his garden and greenhouse and interest and loyalty to the Society, will be greatly missed. The last charactaristic is well proven by his thoughtful bequest to the Society of $10,000.00; one half of the income from this will help cover the future needs of our Library.

Kenneth Knight, Chairman
Library Committee

REPORT OF THE PRESERVATION ORCHARD AND FRUIT COMMITTEE

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The S. Lothrop Davenport Preservation Orchard is a symbol of life. The fresh wood growth, the blossoms, the fruit, including the mice, insects and viruses affecting apples, and man's struggle to overcome nature's elements through water, fertilizer and spray make it live.

The Orchard Committee met November 29, 1978, at the site and transacted the following business:

Loren Manbeck was re-elected Chairman of the Committee.

The cost of Old Sturbridge Village labor in maintaining the Orchard is budgeted at $750 per year. This involves spraying weekly, starting in April and continuing into mid-July; supplying spreaders for shaping the trees; mowing grass and maintaining bait stations.

Reviewing the agreement dated July 9, 1969, between Worcester County Horticultural Society and Old Sturbridge Village, which stated, upon termination of the Orchard program at Creeper Hill, Worcester County Horticultural Society would transfer the yearly fee to Old Sturbridge Village. This amounted to $175 in 1969. However, this has never been placed into practice by Worcester County Horticultural Society. Therefore, the Orchard Committee recommends to the Finance Committee that $350 be budgeted as Worcester County Horticultural Society's share in maintaining the Orchard and pay to Old Sturbridge Village $350 beginning with the 1979 fiscal year of the Society.

We are concentrating on the growth of wood for the next two to three years so that our scion program may generate revenue for the Society as it once did. Many changes need to be worked out, such as an up-to-date list of scions available, a repricing structure, and shipping cutoff dates. Dates discussed were for the winter - February 1, and for the summer - June 15.

A soil modification experimental program is being conducted at the site. This program involves the use of Sturbridge sewer sludge, composted three to four years now, applied to the Orchard soil on a programmed schedule and then monitored - the soil, the tree wood, the tree leaves and fruit. This program is being funded through the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering, with the help of the University of Massachusetts. The results of this program, recognizing the cooperative venture of Worcester County Horticultural Society and Old Sturbridge Village, will be published in a paper.

The Orchard was certified August 29, 1979, by the Department of Food and Agriculture, No. 351. We have space for 23 more varieties of trees at the site.

The members of the Committee were pleased with the growth this past year, and we at Old Sturbridge Village would like you to come see.

Loren Manbeck, Chairman
Preservation Orchard & Fruit Committee

REPORT OF YOUTH COMMITTEE

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Youth Committee met twice last year. Considering the involvement of young people of Worcester County in the Horticultural Society, much was accomplished.

Participation in all shows was higher than last year. Those who enrolled in the Garden Contest received their awards at a special luncheon on Youth Seminar Day. This was held at the time of the Harvest Festival.

Four workshops were also offered and well attended. They were: Grooming Plant Material for Exhibition by Mrs. Donald Stevens; Table Settings by Mrs. Ralph Hill; Plant Identification and Judging, Robert Smiley and Ecucational Exhibits by Mrs. Shirley Smiley.

This program was enthusiastically received and, hopefully, will be repeated.

Youth Committee members were on hand while young people set up their own exhibits.

We are grateful to Mr. Kenn Stephens, Director; Paul Rogers, President; and especially to Mrs. Fayre Nason and Mrs. Marie O'Mara who type cards and take care of needs before exhibits; also Mr. Howard Borggaard and Mr. Arthur O'Mara for judging gardens.

We are looking forward to a good 1979 with the Worcester County Horticultural Society.

Olive L. Prunier, Chairman
Youth Committee

MEMBERSHIP 1978

During 1978, 120 Annual Members joined our Society, 1 new Life Member, and 3 memberships were given to young people winning first prize for their gardens 3 years in a row. We lost 17 by death and 112 failed to renew. The present membership is 1,130.

Following are listed new members in 1978:

Annual

Mr. & Mrs. David E. Anderson & Family
Mrs. Helen E. Andreson
Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Apkarian
Mrs. James Backstrom
Mr. Lawrence Bacon
Mrs. E. Stanley Bates
Mrs. Jane Bates
Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Belber & Family
Mrs. Pearl S. Bertelsen
Mrs. William H. Brown
Mrs. Mary Anne Buckingham
Mr. & Mrs. John Burke
Mr. & Mrs. George Cagan
Miss Louise Carruth
Dr. & Mrs. Andrew Cederbaum
Peter Christo
Mr. Francis M. Clark
Miss Deborah A. Cochran
Mrs. Helen B. Conant
Mrs. Pauline Condon
Mr. & Mrs. Robert DeN. Cope
Mr. Horace C. Crandall
Mrs. A. Gordon Cross
Mr. James C. Crowley
Mrs. Cathleen M. Crowley
Mr. & Mrs. David Dalton
Mr. John P. Dowd
Mr. & Mrs. Henry A. Ellis
Mr. Charles A. Erskine
Mrs. Mildred V. Evans
Mr. Richard F. Falvey
Mrs. Terence P. Finan
Mr. & Mrs. Leland Fisler
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Frost
Mr. Francis C. Galvin
Mr. & Mrs. Hugh R. Gardner
Mrs. Godwin R.F. Gay
Mrs. Maryann Gleazen
Dr. & Mrs. Richard Glew
Mr. Jared Golen
Mr. Rufus H. Gould
Mr. Simon H. Gregory
Mrs. Nancy Guglielmello
Mrs. Albert Haddad
Mr. James G. Halal
Mr. H. Thurston Handley
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Haroutian
Mr. & Mrs. Glenn A. Hastings
Ms. Kathryn M. Hastings
Mr. & Mrs. Howard H. Havens
Mrs. Ruth Heeder
Chandrasekhara B. T. Hegde
Mr. Louis A. Higbie
Mrs. Ralph Hill
Mrs. Irja R. Hofschire
Mr. & Mrs. Gunnar E. Hollstrom
Mrs. Carl L. Hook, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Jackson
Mr. Willis E. Janes
Miss Sylvia M. Jarvey
Mr. Lloyd S. Jenkins
Miss Esther Johnson
Miss Pamela C. Johnson
Mr. Michael J. Keating
Miss Winnifred C. Kennedy
Mr. David M. Kessner
Patricia A. Lynch
Mrs. Chester Kulisa
Kimberly Lambert
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth A. Lindquist
Mrs. Ina M. Longton & Jack
Mr. & Mrs. Homer E. MacNutt, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel J. McDougald, Jr.
Mrs. Mary C. McGrail
Mr. & Mrs. James W. Meagher, Jr.
Mr. Kenneth C. Merritt
Mr. & Mrs. John J. Monahan
Mr. & Mrs. Cecil J. Murray
Mr. & Mrs. Robert D. Naiva
Mrs. Wallace E. Norton
Mr. & Mrs. George P. Olson
Mr. Robin Reed Owens
Mr. & Mrs. Matteo Pagano
Mr. & Mrs. David Parker
Mrs. R. W. Peckitt
Mrs. Norman A. Peterson
Mr. & Mrs. G. Harris Pettee
Mrs. Andrew H. Pisecki
Mrs. Frank J. Rivers
Mrs. Betty F. Robinson
Mr. Donald P. Rose
Miss Isada Rosenberg
Miss Dorothy E. Rowe
Mrs. Anthony Sakowich
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Salkiewicz & Family
Mr. & Mrs. Charles H. Severens

1978

Contributing Memberships

Mrs. Mortimer Herbert Appley
Miss Virginia L. Ball
Mrs. John Z. Buckley
Dr. & Mrs. William T. Carleton
Mr. & Mrs. Curtis M. Clark
Mr. & Mrs. Edwin B. Coghlin
Mrs. John W. Coghlin
Mr. & Mrs. James Cowan, Jr.
Mrs. Douglas Crocker
Mr. John W. Curtis
Mr. & Mrs. Warren H. Davenport
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph W. Dean
Mr. & Mrs. Howard G. Freeman
Mr. & Mrs. Horace Gooch
Mr. & Mrs. John W. Gray
Mr. & Mrs. Charles W. Gustafson
Mr. & Mrs. Richard A. Heald
Mrs. Mahlon B. Hoagland
Hortulus Garden Club
Mr. & Mrs. Warren H. Howard
Mrs. William E. Isham
Dr. & Mrs. Albert R. Jones, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Roger Kinnicutt, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. A. Raymond Larson
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen B. Loring
Mr. & Mrs. Sheldon B. Lubin
Dr. & Mrs. Joseph A. Lundy
Mr. Robert K. Massey
Mrs. Magda Meyersohn
Mr. & Mrs. Paul S. Morgan
Mrs. Philip M. Morgan
Dr. & Mrs. Leonard J. Morse
Mr. Harrison L. Neylon
Mr. & Mrs. William O. Pettit, Jr.
Dr. & Mrs. Smith G. Philips
Dr. & Mrs. Edmund O. Piehler
Mrs. David M. Richards
Mrs. William M. Roderick
Mr. & Mrs. Paul F. Schlaikjer
Mrs. Samuel Shellabarger
Dr. & Mrs. Joseph F. Sherer, Jr.
Mrs. Barbara Sleeper
Dr. & Mrs. Ivan M. Spear
Mr. & Mrs. Richard C. Steele
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas B. Stinson
Dr. William T. Sylvia, Jr.
Mr. Arthur R. Taylor, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Benno VonMayrhauser
Mrs. Richard K. Wellington
Mrs. Joseph N. White, Jr.
Mr. Larry Witkin
Dr. & Mrs. H. Lee Wylie
Mr. Edwin R. Young, Jr.

Sustaining Memberships

Mr. Loren Manbeck
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Prouty
Mrs. George B. Wells
Worcester County Beekeepers Association

MEMBERSHIP 1978
(Continued)

Mr. Stanley Shapiro
Mrs. William E. Shumway
Mrs. Barbara Sleeper
Ms. Dawn A. Smith
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard I. Smith
Mr. Stpehen P. Snow
Southbridge Garden Club
Mr. Stephen J. Sposato
Mr. & Mrs. Eliot M. Sterling
Mr. & Mrs. John L. Stoddard
Dr. Bruce A. Thayer
Mrs. Constance A. Thayer
Dr. John Douglas Thayer
Judge & Mrs. James Brown Tiffany,Jr.
Mr. Maurice Tougas
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Trotto, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Frederick J. Wadsworth
Mrs. Jane W. Waterhouse
Mr. George Avery White, III
Mr. & Mrs. John Wieditz
Mrs. Joan Williams
Miss Kathy Williams
Mr. & Mrs. Rodney B. Wilman
Mr. & Mrs. Merton C. Wilmot
Mr. Larry Witkin
Worcester Co. Beekeepers Assoc.
Mr. Edwin R. Young, Jr.

Life
Kenn Stephens

Given by the Society
Roger Allen
Joanne Lapierre
Patrice McCauley

The following members have passed away since the 1977 Annual Meeting:

Mr. Frank L. Abbott	Vermont
Mrs. Clarence S. Arms	Worcester
Mrs. Walter E. Barnard	Chester, Vermont
Mrs. Lewis R. Brotherton	Worcester
Mr. Attilio E. Conti	Clinton
Miss Alice H. Dickinson	Worcester
Mrs. John M. Fallon	Shrewsbury
Miss Mae Fitman	Holden
Mr. Aaron Goodale	West Boylston
Mr. Raymond P. Grosvenor	Worcester
Mr. Walter Hopkins	Florida
Mr. Robert F. Kinney	Barre
Miss Sarah Oliver	Worcester
Mrs. Aurore L. Robert	Worcester
Mrs. Margaret I. Stanton	Worcester
Mr. Charles W. Turner	Amherst
Mrs. O. Bradley Wood	Worcester

REPORT OF THE GARDEN TOUR COMMITTEE

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

Last spring two very pleasant tours of gardens in the Boston and Worcester areas were quickly sold out after they were announced.

On May 8th a full bus went to Boston for the Beacon Hill Garden Club's Open Gardens. Despite a late spring there were some blossoms and many interesting plantings in the seven charming walled gardens of lovely old homes. After luncheon at the Hampshire House, some of us strolled through the Public Garden to view the tulip beds with their underplantings of pansies. Then on in the bus to Mt. Auburn Cemetery where we learned about the old and rare trees and shrubs in this historical burial ground.

For the June 15th tour of Worcester area gardens we were fortunate, indeed, to have the privilege of visiting five unusually beautiful places graciously opened to us by Mesdames Milton, Stoddard, Pierpont, Mirick and Erskine. The Pierponts served festive refreshments at mid-day.

Fayre Nason made all the arrangements for these two memorable trips and we are grateful to her.

A two night Hudson River trip which was planned for October was not fully subscribed and was cancelled.

We urge that you make suggestions to the new committee about gardens which you would like to see in the coming year.

Roberta D. Knox, Chairman
Garden Tour Committee

REPORT OF THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Hospitality Committee has enjoyed creating with the Society members and others, the sociability of the various gatherings throughout the year.

The Flower Shows, the Summer exhibitions and other planned events, have been carried out by very willing hosts and hostesses from our Society.

The receptions for members at the Preview of the Spring Flower and Harvest Shows were a great success.

New younger members have been asked, soon after joining, to work, and seem pleased to do so.

Volunteers hosted five flower exhibitions from June through September.

I wish to thank the members of my Hospitality Committee, when called upon, and to extend very grateful thanks to Fayre Nason and Dan Gotha for their advice to us.

Barbara Butler, Chairman
Hospitality Committee

REPORT OF THE GARDEN AWARDS COMMITTEE

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Garden Awards Committee will make twenty awards this afternoon. The members of the committee during the past year have been Mrs. George Comstock, Miss Isabel Arms, Mrs. Ragnar Gustafson, Mrs. John Ewer, Mr. Bernard Knowlton, Mr. Edward Eagan and Mr. Merritt Cutting.

Your committee concentrated on covering the whole of the county. We will make awards to gardens in the core area of Worcester, Holden, West Boylston, Shrewsbury and Millbury; also to gardens in Gardner, Westminster, Hubbardson and Barre in the North; Sturbridge and Southbridge in the South; Brookfield and North Brookfield in the West; and Northboro and Harvard in the East.

We solicit the help of members of the Society in finding outstanding gardens. You may call a committee member or Mrs. Nason at the Library.

Merritt E. Cutting, Chairman
Garden Awards Committee

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

At its planning meeting on February 16, 1978, the Scholarship Committee revised the rules and regulations for the scholarship program and the scholarship application. The outstanding change in the rules was the placing of greater emphasis upon the applicant's interest in horticulture.

As a result of sending letters to the principals of all secondary schools serving Worcester County residents, the committee received more applications than previously, seventeen. These were all from qualified students thus making the selection of seven recipients difficult.

Because of a donation of one hundred dollars earmarked for the Scholarship Fund the committee was able to award a total of eleven hundred dollars (one thousand of this amount had been budgeted for scholarships) to seven students as follows: four at two hundred dollars, and three at one hundred dollars.

At its Annual Sale of Flowering Spring Bulbs on the day of the Dahlia Show, September 14, the committee sold $700 worth of spring bulbs earning $350 for the Scholarship Fund. Also during the past year $250 has been realized from giving Horticultural Society mugs in return for a donation to the scholarship committee of $10 each.

Scholarship Committee members for 1978 were Carroll M. Abbott of Worcester, Chairman; John Boomer of Mendon; Pierre Cournoyer of Southbridge; Mrs. Dorothea Mahoney of Worcester; John Matis and James McLain of Holden.

The following members of the Society assisted the committee at the bulb sale: Mrs. Gordon S. Butler, Mrs. Edward Clifford, Mrs. Olive Prunier, Mrs. James Backstrom, Mrs. Paul Johnson, and Mrs. Carroll Abbott.

Carroll M. Abbott, Chairman
Scholarship Committee

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

Last year's Public Relations report could probably be duplicated for January, 1979 - which is reason enough for this chairman to retire. The best public relations event of 1978 was the appointment of a new Executive Director with publicity ideas and skills of his own, as witnessed by the exciting programs, classes, and lectures planned, and by the brochures and program folders prepared in Kenn Stephens' own office. The Society and the new P.R. Committee are very lucky.

In a year of increasing financial problems, publicity of the Horticultural Society's activities will perhaps be even more important. Consideration should be given to the difference between the cost of a bulk mailing (at 2.7¢ per piece) and first class mailings. Postage for 200 copies in a bulk mailing, for example, would cost $5.40; that same $5.40 would mail only 36 copies at the first class rate. The cost of running off the additional copies would be negligible, though additional help in addressing and sorting would be needed.

My thanks to Fayre Nason, and to the members of the Public Relations Committee: Virginia Ball of Worcester, John Boomer of Mendon, Mrs. John J. Foley of Auburn, Mrs. Ragnar W. Gustafson, Jr., of Millbury, Mrs. Alvin H. Schiffman of Worcester, Mrs. Roger VanTassel and Mrs. James T. Wilcox, both of Holden.

Polly Cowan, Chairman
Public Relations Committee

REPORT OF THE WILD FLOWER JUDGE

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

It has been a pleasure to judge the wild flowers in our Spring and Summer Shows. The number of entries in the adult classes remains about the same. It was good to see entries by new exhibitors in some of the early shows.

The entries in the Fall Show were off. This was disappointing because the many different wild asters and goldenrod make a good show. There are also the closed gentian and the wild mints that are in bloom at the time of this show. May we have more of these next year!

The two children's shows were a joy. They brought in so many entries of both cultivated and wild flowers. Let us hope that will continue and extend to the adult classes.

Merritt E. Cutting
Judge of Wild Flowers

REPORT OF THE EXHIBITIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

As you all know, we have a new Director, Kenn Stephens; and a new custodian, Dan Gotha, so many changes have been evident in the exhibitions as well as all over the building. The exhibitions area in the Great Hall has been set up in a different physical manner, which I personally feel is a definite improvement.

Mr. Stephens has been part of each of the Exhibitions Committee meetings and has contributed considerable from his broad knowledge of such activities. This report is not for the purpose of telling about how beautiful the shows have been...we are all aware of that. Rather it is to report upon the major considerations taken up at the various Exhibitions Committee meetings. Some of these appear below, but in no particular chronological or other order:

1. It was discussed at length to change the wording on the front cover of the Schedule of Premiums to something more descriptive than Schedule of Premiums as it now exists. The committee finally decided that "Schedule of Premiums" adequately "tells it like it is", and no change was made.

2. We had hoped to make some changes in the Wildflowers List to bring it up-to-date as to those which should not be picked. Contact with the New England Wildflower Preservation Society resulted in our leaving the list the way it is until we have more concrete recommendations from them on possible changes which may be "in the works".

3. Concerning Potted Plants calls in the schedule...Exhibitors and Judges are asked to become familiar with Rule #29, Page 5, in the Schedule of Premiums... that the same potted plants can be exhibited only once in a season for prize money. And where judges recognize a pot exhibited for the second time, make the necessary notations on the exhibitor's card to that effect.

4. John Koning of Bigelow's Nurseries says he'll build a frame suitable and capable of holding the Hanging Plants entries. John will also be the Chairman for the Spring Show and has come up with plans for the layout of the exhibits.

5. The Spring Show will see two more new exhibitors: Holmes-Schusas Florists of Worcester and Worcester Allied Florists Association.

6. Table Settings were added in 1978 to two summer shows. Peg Dickinson organized the Table Settings themes. Hopefully, there will be 11 entries in the 1979 Spring Show.

7. Betty Gifford and Minta Cowan will be co-chairmen of the 1979 Garden Club Exhibits downstairs. The Building & Grounds Committee OK'd wall support construction on the walls as a permanent addition for the garden clubs to be able to have something to which to attach back drops.

8. High Schools have been contacted by Kenn Stephens in an attempt to get more schools to participate during the 1979 season. Two schools have decided to participate with more considering it. One-hundred square foot gardens, hopefully, will result.

9. There is the possibility of some plant societies doing something in the West Hall during the 1979 season.

REPORT OF THE EXHIBITIONS COMMITTEE
(Continued)

10. A Christmas Show for 1979 will be held the first week of December from the first to the fifth with "Holidays in the Heart of New England" during which ethnic groups will participate in their own respective manners.

Lewis A. Hodgkinson, Chairman
Exhibitions Committee

REPORT OF THE FRUIT JUDGE

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

I am reporting on my first year as a Fruit Judge for the Society. During this year I performed fruit judging duties in seven shows. They were as follows: March 3, June 22, July 14, 22, August 17, September 14 and November 2. On September 14th I judged fruit and flowers for both adult and juvenile (Senior and Junior) as a substitute for H. Thurston Handley. During the spring show I was privileged to be a judge of the Worcester County Garden Clubs Exhibit, "Doorway Gardens of Different Architectural Periods".

Premium lists were followed as printed with little difficulty encountered in fitting the provided categories to the exhibitors entered.

The quality of the fruit observed is quite high but it is felt that many more commercial growers in the immediate Worcester area are potential exhibitors. I send newsletters to all fruit growers in the area as a part of my job as Extension Fruit Specialist, and with your permission I could invite them to participate in the shows held during that part of the year coincident to their harvest periods. It is also important to encourage more amateur exhibitors but have no suggestion on how to attract them except through the media or extension offices.

Consideration might be given to adding the Seckel as a class of pears because it seemed to be in the majority among those varieties exhibited.

I have enjoyed being your fruit judge in 1978 and look to 1979 as a year of increased participation in the exhibition of fruit by both professionals and amateurs.

James T. Williams
Judge of Fruit

REPORT OF PLANT AND FLOWER JUDGE

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

This was my 3rd year as your flower and plant judge. During 1978, I participated in 6 shows as follows: March 3, June 22, July 22, September 14 and November 2. Jim Williams kindly filled in for me during my vacation for the September 14 show.

I judged all flowers and plants, commercial and amateur classes except those specialty flowers and exhibits covered by associations at these various shows. In addition, I was called upon at times to assist in other areas such as vegetables, educational exhibits, Christmas trees, etc. Also, this year the spring show was judged for the Horticultural Perfection Award of the Horticultural Society as a member of their judging team.

The judging criteria in the various premium lists were followed closely and comments left on displays to assist exhibitors for future shows. The exhibit quality was excellent this year although the youth displays seemed fewer in number. I would like to present the following suggestions for the trustees' consideration:

1. Premiums specified for specific entries for example, Marigolds 3.00, 2.00, 1.50 should be carefully reviewed since due to inflation we are reaching the point where premiums are no longer competitive with market prices or worthwhile to pay for exhibitors time and effort. This is also true for fruits and vegetables.

2. Classes for flowers should be updated particularly for some of the smaller shows Hemerocallis, Dahlia, etc. Common varieties exhibited have changed over the years and also the "general" type classes such as "annuals", "perennials", etc., often become too large miscellaneous groupings for accurate and effective judging. Perhaps a miscellaneous category with classes of 3 similar types could be set up at the Judge's discretion.

3. Crowding is a problem with some of the commercial pot plant displays - could the number of pots per area be denoted or the display space expanded - they would be easier to judge and more interesting to viewers.

4. Hanging plants have become increasingly popular - more classes are needed to accomodate these and more premium money for these plants which may be expensive to grow and ship for exhibit.

5. Perhaps a survey of members could be undertaken to determine what they need to encourage them to exhibit, what they would like to see displayed, etc.

I hope to attend the Annual Meeting this year and look forward to continuing as plant and flower judge in 1979.

H. Thurston Handley, Jr.
Plant and Flower Judge

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. President & Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

As you all know, July 1, 1979 marked the beginning of my work with the Society in the capacity of executive director.

You have all welcomed me kindly. Your friendliness and warmth, from the beginning, has encouraged me to feel less the outsider and more at home.

Worcester County Horticultural Society has a long and impressive history of which I am most mindful. Nighttime reading is often spent in reading the early records of our Society, the TRANSACTIONS. One cannot help but be excited by all that has gone before in the work of this Society. It is upon this past that we build today and for the future.

I am reminded of a statement by Ada Louise Huxtable, architectural critic of the New York Times, in a recent article where she says, "In the end, history will win".

Just so with Worcester County Horticultural Society. It is our past that insures our future!

Transactions of Worcester County Horticultural Society

OFFICERS OF THE YEAR 1980

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REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1979

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TRANSACTIONS 1979

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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

ANNUAL MEETING

January 17, 1980

The 138th Annual Meeting of the Worcester County Horticultural Society was held on January 17, 1980, at ten o'clock in the morning in the East Room at Horticultural Hall, 30 Elm Street.

The Secretary called the meeting to order, and President H. Waite Hurlburt opened the meeting with a brief address to the membership.

The reading of the minutes of the previous Annual Meeting was waived by vote. The reports of the Treasurer and the Committee Chairmen were given and will not be covered here as they are published in these Transactions.

Under old business, it was announced that we have new real estate agents handling our Front Street property, and it is hopeful that they will find a buyer. The asking price is $138,000.

The Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Mrs. Roger Heald, next presented the slate of officers and trustees to be elected. With no further nominations from the floor, the Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for the slate as presented.

The budget for 1980 was presented by the Treasurer, and was accepted. The proposed changes in the By-Laws were briefly explained by Mr. Linwood Erskine, and motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to approve these changes. The above items of business had previously been approved by the Board of Trustees at its November 29, 1979 meeting.

The Executive Director, Kenn Stephens, presented his report of the year's busy and innovative activities and programs, and before adjournment, a proclamation was read by President H. Waite Hurlburt, naming the year 1980 as our 140th Anniversary Year. We shall look forward to the next decade as one of really solid achievement.

Following the meeting, those who had made reservations remained for a delicious luncheon, and the Garden Awards presentation program in the afternoon.

Elizabeth M. Gifford
(Mrs. Richard O.)
Secretary

PROCLAMATION OF THE PRESIDENT

Whereas "preliminary movements which resulted in the formation of the Worcester County Horticultural Society were made early in the Autumn of 1840 ... by several men desirous of forming a society, for the purpose of mutual improvement in the theoretical and practical branches of Horticulture ..." [1]

Whereas the "Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two ... enacted by the Senate and House of Represdentatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

> ... a corporation, by the name of Worcester County Horticultural Society, for the purpose of advancing the sceince and encouraging and improving the practise of Horticulture ... [2]

Whereas in the By-Laws of the Worcester County Horticultural Society, Inc., adopted at the 138th Annual Meeting read that this Society "should be operated as an educational organization for the prupose of advancing the knowledge and science of horticulture and related subjects ..." [3]

I declare that the year of 1980 be observed officially and celebrated as the 140th Anniversary of the Worcester County Horticultural Society.

H. Waite Hurlburt, President

January, 1980.

[1] Transactions of the Worcester County Horticultural Society 1847-1875.

[2] By-Laws of the Worcester County Horticultural Society, Inc., adopted at the 138th Annual Meeting 17 January 1980.

KLEBER A. CAMPBELL, 3RD
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
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Worcester County Horticultural Society
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I have examined the balance sheet of the Worcester County Horticultural Society as of November 30, 1979 and the related statements of income and expenditures and fund balances for the year then ended, all prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly the finanical position of the Worcester County Horticultural Society at November 30, 1979 and the results of its operation for the year then ended, in conformity with the basis of accounting described in the summary of significant accounting policies.

Certified Public Accountant

February 26, 1980

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Balance Sheet
November 30, 1979

CURRENT FUNDS - UNRESTRICTED		
Assets:		
Cash	$ 16,322	
Certificates of deposit including accrued interest	218,130	
Marketable securities - market value - $193,716	176,527	
Total assets		$ 410,979
Liabilities:		
Employees' withholdings	$ 1,221	
Total liabilities		$ 1,221
Fund balance		409,758
Total liabilities and fund balance		$ 410,979
CURRENT FUNDS - RESTRICTED		
Assets:		
Cash	$ 6,062	
Interest receivable	640	
Total assets		$ 6,702
Fund balance		$ 6,702
LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FUND		
Assets:		
Land, buildings and equipment	$ 548,384	
Less - Accumulated depreciation	332,596	
Total assets		$ 215,788
Fund balance		$ 215,788
ENDOWMENT FUNDS		
Assets:		
Cash	$ 64	
Certificates of deposit	46,664	
Total assets		$ 46,728
Fund balances		$ 46,728

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

KLEBER A. CAMPBELL, 3RD, CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Statement of Income and Expenditures and Fund Balances
For the Year ended November 30, 1979

CURRENT FUNDS - UNRESTRICTED

Income:			
Contributions		$ 17,806	
Membership dues		9,215	
Show admissions		10,665	
Show previews		1,745	
Educational services - net		504	
Experimental orchard - net		873	
Tours - net		2,267	
Bulb and mug sales - net		143	
Small shop		644	
Use of Horticultural Hall		3,136	
Dividends and interest		14,521	
Rent - Front Street real estate		20,075	
Total income			$ 81,594
Expenditures:			
Salaries		40,221	
Payroll taxes		2,640	
Awards and scholarships		5,036	
Exhibition expenses - net		5,749	
Children's gardens		337	
Library services - net		800	
Lectures - net		373	
Professional fees		550	
Office supplies and expense		3,375	
Postage		1,677	
Heat, light and power		13,527	
Building repairs and maintenance		5,120	
Public relations		788	
Investment management fees		1,270	
Insurance		5,558	
Miscellaneous expense		320	
Total expenditures			87,341
			(5,747)
Other income (expenditures):			
Capital fund raising	$ 164,937		
Dividends and interest on above funds	7,514		
Purchases for Land, Building and Equipment Fund	(13,746)	158,705	
Settlement of Front Street lease	70,000		
Front Street property expenses	(10,889)	59,111	
Gain on sale of securities - net		464	218,280
Net income			212,533
Fund balance:			
December 1, 1978			197,225
November 30, 1979			$ 409,758

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WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Statement of Income and Expenditures and Fund Balances
For the Year ended November 30, 1979

CURRENT FUNDS - RESTRICTED

Income:		
Interest		$ 3,032
Expenditures:		
Awards	$ 716	
Library	133	
Addition to endowment fund principal	51	900
Net income		2,132
Fund balance:		
December 1, 1978		4,570
November 30, 1979		$ 6,702

LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FUND

Fund balance, December 1, 1978	$ 202,500
Additions purchased from current funds - unrestricted	13,746
Less - Depreciation for the year	(458)
Fund balance, November 30, 1979	$ 215,788

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Additions:		
Contributions	$ 11,000	
Restricted income added to principal	51	
Total additions		$ 11,051
Fund balance:		
December 1, 1978		35,677
November 30, 1979		$ 46,728

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

KLEBER A. CAMPBELL, 3RD. CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Endowment Funds
November 30, 1979

	Principal Amount	Earnings For Year	Earnings Restricted For
Francis Henshaw Dewey Fund	$ 1,000	$ 78	Books for library
Williams Eames Fund	500	39	Prizes
Frederick A. Blake Fund	1,000	78	Prizes
Edwin Draper Fund	300	23	Prizes
Miss Frances Clary Morse Fund	500	39	Prizes
Miss Lucy M. Coulson Fund	1,000	78	Prizes
G. A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	78	Prizes
Chandler Bullock Fund	1,000	78	Prizes
Miss Elizabeth R. Bishop Fund	500	39	Prizes
Samuel T. and Anna N. W. Hobbs Fund	5,000	389	Children's interests
Edwin Winslow Lincoln Fund	1,000	78	Unrestricted
Cook-Davey Fund	600	47	New fruits, scholarships
Elouise S. Knight Memorial Fund	2,000	136	Prizes - children
Gerald Fales Memorial Fund	1,000	78	Prizes
Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	78	Prizes
George B. Slater Fund	470	37	Prizes
Thayer Fund	2,000	156	Prizes
Hadwen Fund	1,000	78	Unrestricted
National Association of Gardners Fund	1,226	94	Scholarships ($75) and add to principal ($19)
Harvie Channin Educational Fund	2,107	162	Scholarships ($130) and add to principal ($32)
Mrs. Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	78	Prizes
Myron F. Converse Memorial Fund	10,000	778	Prizes ($389) and library ($389)
Children's Garden Fund	500	39	Children's garden
Warren Higgins Fund	1,000	78	Prizes
Scholarship Fund	25	2	Scholarships
Edwin W. Proctor Fund	10,000	194	Scholarships ($97) and library ($97)
Total funds	$ 46,728		
Total earnings		$ 3,032	

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

KLEBER A. CAMPBELL, 3RD. CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies
and Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year ended November 30, 1979

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

BASIS OF PRESENTATION - The financial statements have been prepared using the cash basis of accounting. As a result they do not reflect accrued income, prepaid expenses, accounts payable or accrued expenses.

LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT - All fixed assets are fully depreciated with the exception of additions made during the year of $13,746 which are being depreciated using the straight-line method over an estimated useful life of 15 years.

Notes to Financial Statements

INVESTED FUNDS HELD UNDER AGENCY AGREEMENT - The following is a summary of the activity:

Income:		
Interest	$ 3,130	
Dividends	5,349	$ 8,479
Gain on sale of securities - net		464
		8,943
Expenses:		
Management fees		1,270
		$ 7,673

No additional monies were added to the funds during the year.

RENTAL INCOME - The Society leased property under an agreement dated June 1, 1949 which ran until June 1, 1979. Among other things the agreement provided that the tenant was responsible for substantially all costs related to the operation of the property, including real estate taxes and insurance. The rent received during the year to the expiration date was $20,000. A payment of $70,000 in settlement of certain lease provisions also was received.

EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLAN - At the beginning of the year the Society had a retirement agreement with one of its employees whereby funds were set aside annually and accumulated for the benefit of the employee upon retirement, death or disability. The funds were not reflected on the Society's books. The amounts set aside at the beginning of the year were $2,232. No contributions were made by the society during the year as the agreement was superceded by a new agreement providing for the payment of retirement plan contributions directly to the employee as additional compensation. Interest was added in the amount of $11. The total fund was disbursed during the year to the employee.

CAPITAL FUND RAISING - At November 30, 1979 a total of $186,475 had been pledged. Of this amount $21,538 had not been collected.

KLEBER A. CAMPBELL, 3RD, CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies
and Notes to Financial Statements - continued
For the Year ended November 30, 1979

INCOME AND EXPENDITURES - The following information further details items shown as - net:

	Income	Expense	Net Income (Expense)
Educational services	$ 1,767	$ 1,263	$ 504
Experimental orchard	$ 2,022	$ 1,149	$ 873
Bulb and mug sales	$ 282	$ 139	$ 143
Exhibition expenses	$ 2,527	$ 8,276	$(5,749)
Library services	$ 640	$ 1,440	$(800)
Tours	$ 6,415	$ 4,148	$ 2,267
Lectures	$ 74	$ 447	$(373)

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REPORT OF THE BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Mr. President, members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

This was my first year as a member of the Building and Grounds Committee. It was quite an experience. I think the most notable accomplishment was establishing a Building Improvement Fund. Everything fell into place marvelously and we nearly attained our financial goal in a short period of time. As a result, the heating and technical work have been awarded to Tucker & Rice and Ostrow Electric, respectively.

Some of the following items were taken care of this year:

a) We acquired new chairs and tables, including storage racks for the chairs.

b) The elevators have been repaired, are now in good working order, and will be subsequently checked four times a year.

c) New Society flags have arrived.

d) The outside lanterns have been repaired.

e) Leaks in the roof have all been patched.

A couple of items still under discussion are the repairing of the wall along Chestnut Street, and having the entire roof redone.

I think Tom Simone deserves special credit for taking care of the crab apples that fall in the area along Chestnut Street to the Elm Street side of the hall. Also, Tom has planted the annuals and the Dutch bulbs. Mrs. Frank L. Harrington generously absorbed the costs of the annuals and bulbs.

Another item needing consideration is the generator which is still not functioning. We hope now that the electrical work is being done that this problem will be alleviated.

I would also like to extend my personal thanks to Kenn Stephens for his assistance and advice during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

John Koning, Chairman
Building and Grounds Committee

REPORT OF THE EXHIBITIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

This year the regular shows were held, and they were beautifully staged. Each show had its own premium schedule printed on colored paper.

The shows are popular for many of us, but, as in the past, we do not reach as many people as we should. However, Kenn Stephens, with his ingenuity and wide experience, has been able to attract new exhibitors and their friends from outside of Worcester County. To help these exhibitors, a compromise was made to have the shows open at twelve o'clock instead of the 1979 eleven o'clock time.

The Flower Arrangement Schedule has been enlarged, its base broadened, and designated as the Design Division. Many exhibitors in this group work for points only and not money prizes.

An innovation this year, Holidays in the Heart of New England, was an especially beautiful show, and involved the work and inspiration of many people. This will be a future annual event. Also, in the evening before this show opened to the public, as well as the evening before the other large shows, a gala opening was held. Everyone seemed to enjoy these festive occasions.

Because of our need to increase our income, the Harvest Festival, Holiday Show, as well as the Spring Flower Show will be free to members, but there will be an admission charge for non-members. An extra plus for the Harvest Festival will be a return to Horticultural Hall of the garden displays that have been held at the Galleria in Worcester Center.

It has been a busy year. My thanks to the members of the Exhibition Committee, all of whom had special jobs to do -- and my special thanks to Clyde Swisher as an invaluable member of the team effort.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Milton, Chairman

Exhibitions Committee

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

January 17, 1980.

Report on Capital Campaign

As of January 15, 1980, we have received 193 gifts totalling $197,098.35, leaving us about $2,900 short of our goal. I believe that you will be interested in knowing from whom these gifts were received.

Our first five gifts came from the Alden Trust, George A. and Sybil Fuller Foundation, the Stoddard Trust, the Higgins Family Trusts, and one member. These five gifts totalled $150,000, or 75% of our goal.

We received 19 gifts of $1,000 or more, which totalled $179,000, or 89.5% of our goal.

We received 25 gifts of $500 or more, totalling $182,400, or 91% of our goal.

Thus, 13 of the donors contributed 92.5% of the amount raised. Another 51 donors contributed between $100 and $5000, or a total of $6,765.

Accordingly, 76 gifts of $100 or more totalled $189,165, or 96% of the amount raised.

Investments

Our investment account which is managed by the Mechanics Bank has a market value of $176,219.10 on November 30, 1979. This account was established in 1963 and prior to August, 1979, income was reinvested. The account was established with the hope that when the Newberry lease of our Front Street property expired the income produced would help make up for the $40,000 we had been receiving. Unfortunately, the account has not grown as expected.

There has been some discussion among members of the Finance Committee regarding the desirability of continuing this investment arrangement, especially because of the relatively high return which can be obtained from fixed income securities. This matter is to be discussed at a meeting of the Finance Committee to be held March 4, 1980.

Edward L. Clifford, Chairman
Finance Committee

REPORT OF THE GARDEN AWARDS COMMITTEE

The work of the Garden Awards Committee has been centered within two areas of concern: The establishment of guidelines listing categories of gardens and a list of evaluation standards. Categories are: 1) Residential gardens: a) gardens developed and maintained without professional help and b) gardens developed and maintained with professional assistance. 2) Industrial and/or commercial gardens: i) Horticultural excellence, and ii) design with the land.

Clarifying and broadening the scope of the work of this committee will allow a consideration of increased numbers of gardeners who are interested in growing plants, whether it is in a container, in a porch garden, a terrace, or an extremely small garden space, along with those people who have large gardens. Furthermore, the committee will find an additional base for an evaluation of landscape design techniques. It must be observed that while good horticultural practices and landscape design techniques frequently appear side by side, there are those cases when one or the other makes a predominant statement.

Throughout the years 467 of the Eugene O. Parsons Award for Horticultural Achievement have been given to gardeners. In view of the large number of awards that have been given to people and for the fact that the award may not be received a second time by individuals, the committee wishes to state that after ten years a garden may be eligible for a second review, and if the garden is evaluated to receive an award it is the opinion of the members of the Garden Awards Committee that a medal will be presented at that time.

Mrs. John Ewer
Mrs. Ragnar Gustafson, Jr.
Mr. Bernard Knowlton
Mrs. William Thurston
Garden Awards Committee

REPORT OF THE GARDEN TOURS COMMITTEE

The following tours are scheduled for 1980:

May	Hidden Gardens of Beacon Hill & The Glass Flowers, Cambridge
June	Gardens of Worcester County
July	Litchfield, Connecticut, & White Flower Farm
August	Mid Cape Gardens
September	Washington, D. C., "Exhibition 50"
October	Nantucket Island -- Houses & Gardens

In addition, two tours of special appeal are offered to members and friends of the Society:

Tuesday, 18 March 1980, New England Spring Flower Show, Commercial Wharf, Boston

International Garden Show -- Les Florelies Internationales de Montreal -- representing the world's major horticultural traditions. June 20 - 22, 1980.

The members of the committee are aware that long-distance travel requires advance planning; thus, the following tour: International Design Symposium and Flower Show, October 13 - 19, 1981, Lima, Peru.

Garden Tours Committee

Miss Isabel Arms
Mrs. Aaron Goodale, III
Mrs. Howard Knox
Mrs. Philip Peterson, Chairman
Miss Martha Whittle

REPORT OF THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

Our Hospitality Committee has two important responsibilities: First, to plan and serve beverages and light refreshments preceding our Winter Lectures, the Garden Awards, and Annual Meetings; secondly to invite members and friends to act as hosts and hostesses at each flower show during the year.

There have been three big flower shows during the past year:

Spring Flower Show	March 8 - 11, 1979
Harvest Festival	November 1 - 4, 1979
Holidays in the Heart of New England	December 5 - 9, 1979.

Each of these shows was preceded by a Preview Party for members, and then each show continues for the following three or four days. About 25 volunteers are needed to serve as hostesses for each day of a big show, and each hostess serves for and 2 or 2 1/2 hour period.

Many hours are spent on the telephone rounding up volunteers, and many new and pleasant contacts have been made. Special thanks go to Miss Kathleen F. Kirby for her help in this very time-consuming job.

Grateful thanks also go to the other members of our Hospitality Committee:

Mrs. Edmund Piehler, Mrs. Harlan Pierpont, Mrs. Webster Ramsey, and Mrs. Richard Wellington.

Respectfully submitted,

Pauline W. Patton, Member
Hospitality Committee.

REPORT OF THE JUDGE OF VEGETABLES

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

It has always been a pleasure to judge the exhibits of vegetables displayed at our shows, and I am particularly pleased that so many young people are exhibiting in the children's classes. I find a few displays of children's vegetables in some of our adult shows too. This I like because they must take over when we older folks decide to retire.

Howard L. Borggaard
Judge of Vegetables

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LECTURE SERIES

Committee Members of the Winter Lecture Series met in the office of the Director, Kenn Stephens, during June to discuss potential programs for the 1980 season. The following schedule is now confirmed:

On February 14th, William Berchen, well known author and photographer from Hanover, Massachusetts, will give a color slide lecture on photographic techniques used in floral and landscape photography.

On March 27th, Joseph Hudak, Landscape Architect, will review practical aspects of construction -- fences, walks, walls, drives, and more -- for the home garden; illustrated with color slides.

On April 17th, Paul Rogers, Horticulturalist, who has recently returned from China, will share his insights and colorful slides about horticultural practices in China -- "Horticulture is alive and well in the People's Republic of China."

With the exception of Mr. Roger's program, the lectures will be held at 2:00 p.m., to be preceded by a coffee hour at 1:30. Mr. Roger's lecture will take place at 5:30 p.m. on April 17th, preceded by a five o'clock sherry hour.

An admission fee of $1.50 will be charged to guests at these lectures.

It was voted that we drop the word "winter" from our original title, "Winter Lecture Series" inasmuch as the bulk of the programs are held in the spring.

Marjorie Hayward, Chairman
Lecture Series Committee

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The past year has been a busy one for the Library Committee. Rules for the use of the library have been formalized, and copies are available in the library. The display case in the library is being utilized for seasonal displays as well as those supportive of societal functions. This is also a good way to share with the members and the public the many fine antique books and catalogs. As a result of one of these displays of catalogs, Worcester Polytechnical Institute borrowed five catalogs for one of their displays at the college.

Amnesty week, suggested by the Library Committee Secretary, Helen Calkins, proved to be very successful. Twenty books were returned, 15 of which were long overdue.

Nineteen books have been purchased and 70 donated. The Children's Corner has been enlarged greatly through the generous donation of books made by Mrs. Janette Emond. Coloring books, donated by Mrs. Robert G. Hess, and crayons are available to the children also.

The Committee's involvement in sales during the Harvest Festival and Christmas Show went extremely well. A net amount of $200 was realized. We wish to thank the Membership Committee for their help during the Christmas Show.

Wanda Sandberg has been appointed librarian by the Committee, and Fayre Nason is committee bookkeeper.

The Library Committee is currently undergoing reorganization to streamline operations and to more truly reflect the increased activity of this very important service function of the Worcester County Horticultural Society.

As part of the fiscal responsibility expressed by your Library Committee, we at this time present a motion to you that any net amounts realized from the sales of books, magazines, periodicals, and other printed material be placed in a Special Account to be known as the Stack Room Account.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Cunningham, Chairman
Library Committee

REPORT OF LUNCH ROOM SERVICE

Since the inception of the Lunch Room Service at the Rose Show this past June, the public has enthusiastically supported the innovation of a luncheon served inexpensively and at appropriate hours during the day to accommodate the many visitors attending the shows. A total of 21 volunteers gave their support during the shows towards making the lunch room service a success, and when asked to serve did so without demur. The Service took in a total of $541.68 during this period and disbursed a total of $538.44.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Basmajian, Chairman
Lunch Room Service

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Membership Committee, fully aware of the fact that an organization in order to fulfill its purposes must have increasing and participating membership, has during the past year sought new members and has reminded, in a concerned manner, members who had not renewed their memberships. During the annual Spring Flower Show, March 9 - 13, 1979, the committee had a table at which membership informational material and applications were available, and horticultural books and pamphlets were for sale. This activity resulted in enrolling memberships totaling $324, and in selling horticultural publications amounting to $147. The committee repeated this activity at the Holiday show December 6 - 9, 1979, in cooperation with the Library Committee. Publication sales totaled $172.

The committee is very appreciative of the services rendered by those members who tended the table at these two shows. The enthusiastic spirit of these members augurs well for the future of the Society.

The committee, through a letter and telephone canvass from April 15 to May 15, 1979, was able to obtain the renewal of some lapsed memberships.

The committee at its April 12, 1979, meeting studied the then existing dues structure, and after careful deliberation made recommendations to the Board of Trustees which initiated changes in membership fees, with the exception of that for students.

The members of the committee for 1979 were Mrs. Emens Guernsey, Mrs. Earle W. Rice, Miss Isabelle Boissoneault, Mrs. Patricia B. DeCiccio, Richard Salo, and Carroll M. Abbott, Chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

Carroll M. Abbott, Chairman

Membership Committee

During 1979, 137 Annual Members joined our Society. The present membership is 1,198.

REPORT OF THE PLANT AND FLOWER JUDGE

This was my fourth year as your flower and plant judge. During 1979 I participated in all regular exhibits, including, for the first time, the Christmas Show. All flowers and plants, commercial and amateur classes, except those speciality flowers and exhibits covered by associations and garden clubs at these shows were judged in both adult and youth categories. In addition, this year I assisted other judges upon request with fruits and vegetables, and with the Horticultural Perfection Award of the Horticulture Club of Boston for the Spring Show.

Judging criteria in the various premium lists were followed as closely as possible, and comments were made on display cards to assist exhibitors for future shows. Exhibit quality was very good this year, but there is still a need to encourage exhibitors, particularly new adults and all youngsters who will be the basis of future shows.

I would like to make the following suggestions for the Trustees' consideration:

Premium lists should all be carefully reviewed and updated for the changing character of exhibits (from estate gardens to small home gardens, large farms to small vegetable plots, etc.)

Premium rates should be updated in light of inflation, so prize money is worthwhile in comparison to market value and the time and effort of the exhibitors.

Some class revisions are needed due to changes in popularity of flowers, new introductions, etc., so outdated varieties are eliminated and prize money is available for "newcomers" rather than having to lump many varieties together in "any other type" categories. A better definition is also needed, and perhaps more detailed instruction for "Educational Displays."

I repeat my previous suggestion that a survey of present and potential exhibitors be undertaken to determine what they want in order to encourage more exhibits and more entries. Also, perhaps more pre-show publicity could be devoted to encouraging new exhibitors.

H. Thurston Handley, Jr.

Flower and Plant Judge

REPORT OF THE PRESERVATION ORCHARD AND FRUIT COMMITTEE

The S. Lothrop Davenport Preservation Orchard continues to generate quantities of mail from throughout the United States. As a unique resource, it serves as a highly visible symbol nationally of the Worcester County Horticultural Society and Old Sturbridge Village.

Perhaps the most notable visitor to the orchard this year was a devastating hailstorm in late May that twice pelted the trees and destroyed any hopes of a fall apple crop. It is well that our cultural orientation is toward the development of woody growth for scion and budwood production.

Pomological management practices continue to stimulate healthy trees; pruning, hay mulch added to each tree, fertilizing, liming, an insect and disease spray program, grass cutting, and rodent control.

High interest by the public in our scion and budwood offerings places heavy demands on a volunteer workforce. The members of the committee wish to gratefully acknowledge the Herculean efforts of Mrs. K. G. A. Andersson, her husband, and their loyal group of helpers who effectively implemented this valuable service to the public and the Society.

Due to rising prices and a more realistic appraisal of maintenance and material costs, a mutually shared budget has been agreed upon by our Society and Old Sturbridge Village.

The role of the S. Lothrop Davenport Preservation Orchard is growing, and as it does the committee solicits members to its ranks that are ready to be active and involved. We are also in dire need of friendly volunteers to help with the scion and budwood programs.

In a spirit of shared commitment, the Preservation Orchard has germinated and developed -- fruition of its unique potential depends upon your help.

Respectfully submitted,

Preservation Orchard and Fruit Committee

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Public Relations Committee has endeavored in 1979 to acquaint the public with the work and activities of the Society. We are the only society in the country that has a year-round exhibition program. This year nine shows were held instead of the usual eight. We really do have a show for all seasons, and then some.

The three major shows were:

Spring Flower and Garden Show (March)
Harvest Festival (November)
Holidays in the Heart of New England (December)

Admission was charged for these; all others were free. Proceeds from the December show were donated to Cambodian Relief. All of the shows were enthusiastically planned, set up, publicized, and received.

Two new awards were given at the Spring Show: The Dr. John Green Award for the Best Student Garden, and the Joseph A. Stephens Award for the Best Use of Color. Also, two medals given by the Royal Horticultural Society of London were awarded for Excellence in Horticulture and Design.

The summer season at Horticultural Hall featured various classes and tours, along with the usual shows. We had a banner attendance at the Rose Show held in June. An interesting exhibit of "Farm Tools of Yesteryear" was on display at this time in the upstairs gallery.

The media was generous with their coverage of our events. We thank our local papers and our neighbor (Freedom Federal Savings) for the use of their marquee to advertise the shows. Paul Rogers is ever faithful to the cause in mentioning our activities on his radio program.

Poster use was cut back some as the cost of stock and printing is high. However, posters were used for the Spring Show.

A special thank you to Polly Cowan, former Public Relations Chairman, for her thoroughness in setting up the excellent public relations reference file. Also, her suggestion earlier for use of bulk mailing versus first-class mailing in publicity released was used and has paid off. We are reaching more sources for less money.

Thanks to the member of the Public Relations Committee for their help during the year. They are: Irene Foley (Mrs. John J.) of Auburn; Mrs. Ragnar W. Gustafson, Jr., of Millbury; John Boomer of Mendon; Sheila Schiffman (Mrs. Alvin H.) of Worcester; Elsie Wilcox (Mrs. James) of Holden; and Grace VanTassel (Mrs. Roger C.) of Holden.

Virginia L. Ball, Chairman
Public Relations Committee

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Members of the Scholarship Committee met with Mr. Kenn Stephens on April 12, 1979, and ground rules were established for the selection of those students best qualified to receive annual scholarship awards totaling $1,000.00. It was agreed that applications would be sent to each committee member prior to the next meeting so that they would have some knowledge of each applicant prior to the next meeting.

On May 15, 1979, the committee met again to discuss the applications. Selections were based on the following:

a) Interest in horticulture,

b) Sincerity of purpose,

c) Financial need, and

d) Scholastic record.

Again it was difficult to select the winners since many of the applicants were well qualified in all categories. There were nine applicants who applied for scholarships, but three were disqualified because of lateness of incomplete applications.

The following applicants were selected to receive scholarships; the first four to receive $200.00 each:

David Morrissey, Worcester

Gail Kelleher, Westboro

Bert Engvall, Grafton

Edward Bemis, Spencer

Helen Corbeil, North Brookfield, and
Bonnie Hamilton, Millbury, received $100.00 each.

It was suggested that a worthwhile project such as this in which the Society gives financial aid to needy students who are pursuing a college career in horticulture should receive more publicity.

Scholarship Committee: John Boomer, Chairman;
Pierre Cournoyer, Peter Johnson, Kenneth Knight,
Dorothy Mahoney, John Matis

REPORT OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE

Mr. President and members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

Your Youth Committee met and worked with the young horticulturalists to assist them in coping with adjustments. It was a wet, late spring for many; therefore, gardens were late starting. A sudden and violent storm did much damage to those planning to exhibit in the August Youth Exhibition Show. Divisions, sections, and classes were new terms, and time was spent explaining the new exhibition format. This learning experience is not lost, for as the young people grow up and travel about they will already know of the universally accepted format in horticultural exhibiting.

There were 199 exhibits in both the July and August Youth Exhibition Shows. A total of 153 gardens were registered in the Young People's Garden Contest. This was an increase of 26 over 1978. The largest category was 67 vegetable mini gardens in the Fitchburg area.

An Autumn Youth Seminar was held in conjunction with the Harvest Festival. Subjects covered included judging, caring for indoor house plants, and the making of Christmas swags. A workshop followed the garden awards presentations in which the participants made their own swags.

The Society served as host for the State 4-H NJHA Judging Contest.

The Committee is much appreciative of this Society's support to our young people.

Robert Smiley, Chairman
Youth Committee

REPORT OF THE WILD FLOWER JUDGE

Mr. President and members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

Worcester County is blessed with an abundance of wild flowers. They are found everywhere -- in the wetlands, in the pastures and fields, along the roadsides and even in the vacant city lots. There is no problem in filling the call for ten vases with one kind in each vase in the spring, summer, and fall shows. The people who attend our shows are interested in the wild flower displays. Let's have more in 1980.

This year there were a number of good displays in the early shows; however, the number as well as the quality dropped off in the later shows.

There is a slight word of caution! In one of the displays during the summer the cardinal flower was shown. This is one of the flowers that is on the protected list and should not be cut. Admire it in its native stand. A list of the protected wild flowers may be obtained from Horticultural Hall.

There were many entries with a good selection of flowers in the two children's shows; however, a few flowers were misnamed. A handy book for identification is: "Peterson's Field Guide to Wild Flowers." This would be an ideal gift for those interested in our wild flowers. Next year perhaps some of these exhibitors could enter the adult classes.

The herb displays are always interesting to those attending our shows. Some of the potted herbs were outstanding. However, the number of exhibitors is small. Could we have more in 1980?

Merritt E. Cutting
Judge of Wild Flowers

1984

Transactions
of the
WORCESTER COUNTY
HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Year ending 1984

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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1984

Presidents

Cushing C. Bozenhard (Jan. - Apr.)
Philip C. Beals (May -)

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Robert F. Florsheim
R. Alden Miller
Mrs. Hope Spear

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Assistant Treasurer

Mrs. Mary Oakley

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Mrs. Ernestine Blanchard

Executive Director

Frederick E. Roberts (Left April)
John W. Trexler (Began April)

Educational Coordinator

Ms. Karen Perkins

Administrative Assistant

Gary P. Cipro (Left April)
Mrs. Diane Paradis (Began May)

Librarian

Mrs. Wanda Sandberg

Bookkeeper

Miss Anna Zakarian (Left April)

Custodian

Mark W. Herbst (Left July)
William H. Lambert (Began July)

Trustees

1985	1986	1987
John D. Boomer	Brian Fox	Karl L. Briel
Mrs. Betty Gifford	Mrs. Lissa Kasakoff	Robert F. Florsheim
Mrs. Marianne Harris	Mrs. Linda Milton	John Jeppson
Duane T. Sargisson	John O. Mirick	John Koning
Robert Smiley	Mrs. Becky Moore	Mrs. Ginger Tilton
William Whipple	Dr. Joseph Sherer, Jr.	Paul Trudeau

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Howard Borggaard
H. Waite Hurlburt
Mrs. Fayre Nason
Mrs. Helen Stoddard
Leslie Winter

COMMITTEES 1984

Nominating Committee

H. Waite Hurlburt, Chr.
Mrs. Becky Moore
Duane T. Sargisson

Building Committee

Brian Fox
William Whipple

Exhibitions Committee

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Mrs. Mitzi Belitsky
Richard Bemis
James Denman
Mrs. Isabel Lane
Matthew Mattus
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Mrs. Margy Mirick
Arthur O'Mara
Mrs. Marie O'Mara
Mrs. Mary Owen
Mrs. Janet Taber

Finance Committee

Robert F. Florsheim, Chr.
Philip C. Beals, Ex. Off.
David Hall
Henry L. Rudio, Ex. Off.
John O. Mirick
John W. Trexler, Ex. Off.

Library Committee

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Mrs. Helen Calkins
Mrs. Peggy Erskine
Robert F. Florsheim
Mrs. Cacki Hodgson
Mrs. Beverly Presley
Mrs. Wanda Sandberg
Mrs. Janet Taber

Preservation Orchard Committee

Mrs. Marjorie Lodding, Chr.
Mrs. Gladys Bozenhard
Mrs. Fayre Nason
Arthur O'Mara
Paul E. Rogers
Mrs. Stephanie Wondolowski

Scholarship Committee

Miss Isabel Arms, Chr.
R. Alden Miller
George Starkus
Mrs. Sally Pettit

Site Selection Committee

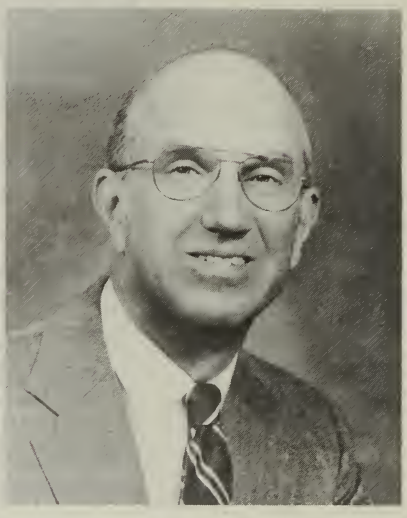
Group I
H. Waite Hurlburt, Chr.
Mrs. Marianne Harris
Mrs. Helen Stoddard
William Whipple

Group II
Brian Fox, Chr.
John Koning
Mrs. Linda Milton

Group III
R. Alden Miller, Chr.
Mrs. Cacki Hodgson
Paul E. Rogers

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

To the Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:



It seems proper that the "Transactions of the W.C.H.S." should be once more recorded after a hiatus of four years.

1984 was a year in which there was considerable change in the management of the Society, both at the Trustee level as well as the staff level. After only a few months on the job, our Executive Director, Frederick Roberts, late in 1983, tendered his resignation. He was asked to become the Director of Longwood Gardens in Pennsylvania, probably the finest display garden in the country. It was an offer which he felt he could not refuse. He agreed to continue with us until May 1, especially to direct part of his efforts to helping the Trustees find a successor.

In early April, differences between President Bozenhard and Mr. Roberts came to a head, and Mr. Bozenhard submitted his resignation. Former President Paul Rogers agreed to act as interim President.

After interviewing several candidates from a large list of applicants, John Trexler was chosen to be our next Executive Director. He arrived on April 16. He came to us from the Morris County Park Commission, Morristown, New Jersey.

On April 13, Administrative Assistant Gary Cipro and Secretary-bookkeeper Anna Zakarian submitted their resignations. In December, Wanda Sandberg, our Librarian for 22 years, retired.

At the May meeting of the Board of Trustees, I was elected President of the Society.

During the year, two new key staff members were hired. The first to come with us, in May, was Diane M. Paradis as Administrative Secretary. The second, Karen M. Perkins, Educational Coordinator, arrived in August. Both young women are very highly qualified for their positions. In July, William Lambert was hired as the new Custodian. We now have a capable, enthusiastic new team which is doing a fine job for the Society on all fronts.

Our many activities are reported elsewhere in these Transactions. Our biggest thrust has been directed towards finding a site for our proposed Horticultural Center. It is our hope that in our next report we will be able to state that a fine site has been successfully chosen.

We look forward to the coming year with confidence and high hopes.

Philip C. Beals
President

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Finance Committee was appointed on March 1, 1984 and met 12 times during the 1984 fiscal year. The membership of the Committee is composed of the following, all of whom are regular attendees at the meetings: Robert F. Florsheim, Chairman; David J. Hall; John O. Mirick; Henry L. Rudio, Ex-Officio; Philip C. Beals, Ex-Officio and John W. Trexler, Ex-Officio.

The Society's investment portfolio totals approximately $367,000. This does not include the $90,000 Mortgage Note on the Front Street property, which is due on July 15, 1985.

At the present time, the Committee is managing this money without outside professional help. At the end of our 1984 fiscal year, approximately 50% of the total was invested in high-grade common stocks. The rest was in U.S. Government securities and a money-market fund which is also invested in securities of the U.S. Government and its agencies. We are gradually increasing the proportion of equities and are currently at the 60% level. The common stock portfolio is diversified among approximately 30 different companies' securities. The securities of the Society are in the custody of Shearson/American Express, Inc.. We transact business through their Worcester office.

Our investment results for the November 30, 1984 fiscal year were very similar to the Standard & Poor's average of 500 stocks with dividends added back. We were up 2.6%, while S & P was up 2.8%.

We will continue to follow a portfolio policy which combines the goals of both moderate income and moderate growth, with an eye to safety of principal.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert F. Florsheim, Chairman
Finance Committee

Worcester County Horticultural Society
30 Elm Street
Worcester, Massachusetts

I have examined the balance sheet of the Worcester County Horticultural Society as of November 30, 1984 and the related statements of income and expenditures and fund balances for the year then ended, all prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursments. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to below present fairly the financial position of the Worcester County Horticultural Society at November 30, 1984 and the results of its operation for the year ended, in conformity with the basis of accounting described in the summary of significant accounting policies.

Kleber A. Campbell, 3rd
July 15, 1985 Certified Public Accountant

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies
and Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year ended November 30, 1984

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

BASIS OF PRESENTATION - The financial statements have been prepared using the cash basis of accounting. As a result they do not reflect accrued income, prepaid expenses, accounts payable or accrued expenses.

LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT - All fixed assets are fully depreciated with the exception of additions since December 1, 1979 which are being depreciated using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives of 5 to 15 years.

Notes to Financial Statements

MORTGAGE NOTE RECEIVABLE for $90,000 is due July 15, 1985 and bears interest at the rate of 10% per annum payable in quarterly installments. The note is secured by the property at 16-20 Front Street, Worcester, Massachusetts formerly owned by the Society.

LAND, BUILDING AND EQIPMENT - at November 30, 1984 the asset accounts consisted of:

	Basis	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Book Value
Land	$ 102,500	$ —	$ 102,500
Buildings	201,000	201,000	—
Improvements and equipment	231,676	84,844	146,832
Motor vehicle	11,275	3,382	7,893
	$ 546,451	$ 289,226	$ 257,225

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

BALANCE SHEET
November 30, 1984

CURRENT FUNDS			
Assets:			
Unrestricted			
Cash	$ 6,812		
Savings and temporary cash investments	60,431		
Marketable securities - market value - $229,484	207,363		
Mortgage note receivable	90,000	$	364,606
Restricted			
Temporary cash investments			25,533
Total assets		$	390,139
Liabilities:			
Restricted			
Unexpended gifts and income	$ 25,533		
Total liabilities		$	25,533
Fund Balance			364,606
Total liabilities and fund balance		$	390,139
LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FUND			
Assets:			
Land, buildings and equipment	$ 546,451		
Less - Accumulated depreciation	289,226		
Total assets		$	257,225
Fund balance		$	257,225
ENDOWMENT FUNDS			
Assets:			
Temporary cash investments	$ 52,651		
Total assets		$	52,651
Fund balance		$	52,651

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Statement of Income and Expenditures and Fund Balance
For the Year ended November 30, 1984

CURRENT FUNDS		
Income:		
Contributions	$ 60,159	
Membership dues	22,714	
Use of Horticultural Hall	11,145	
Dividends and interest:		
Unrestricted	30,204	
Restricted	7,161	
Total income		$ 131,383
Expenditures:		
Salaries	76,289	
Payroll taxes	5,951	
Employee benefits	4,391	
Library services	1,571	
Professional fees	925	
Office supplies and expense	2,106	
Newsletter and general printing	3,103	
Postage	1,676	
Telephone	2,944	
Occupancy	26,839	
Travel	4,072	
Auto expense	813	
Miscellaneous expense	4,175	
Total expenditures		134,855
		(3,472)
Net income (expenditures) from auxiliary activities		(8,741)
		(12,213)
Other income (charges):		
Gain on sale on securities - net	705	
Purchase of equipment for Land, Building and Equipment Fund	(2,357)	
Restricted income reinvested	106	
Increase in unexpected restricted gifts and income	(4,712)	(6,470)
Excess of expenditures and charges over income		(18,683)
Fund balance:		
December 1, 1983		383,289
November 30, 1984		$ 364,606
LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FUND		
Fund balance, December 1, 1983		$ 270,900
Additions purchased from current funds - unrestricted		2,357
Depreciation for the year		(16,032)
Fund balance, November 30, 1984		$ 257,225
ENDOWMENT FUNDS		
Additions:		
Mend-A-Book Fund		$ 3,500
Restricted income added to principal		106
Fund balances:		
December 1, 1983		49,045
November 30, 1984		$ 52,651

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Endowment Funds
November 30, 1984

	Principal Amount	Earnings For Year	Earnings Restricted For
Francis Henshaw Dewey Fund	$ 1,000	$ 146	Books for library
William Eames Fund	500	73	Prizes
Frederick A. Blake Fund	1,000	146	Prizes
Edwin Draper Fund	300	44	Prizes
Miss Frances Clary Morse Fund	500	73	Prizes
Miss Lucy M. Coulson Fund	1,000	146	Prizes
G. A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	146	Prizes
Chandler Bullock Fund	1,000	146	Prizes
Miss Elizabeth R. Bishop Fund	500	73	Prizes
Samuel T. and Anna N. W. Hobbs Fund	5,000	730	Children's interests
Edwin Winslow Lincoln Fund	1,000	146	Unrestricted
Cook-Davey Fund	600	88	New fruits, scholarships
Elouise S. Knight Memorial Fund	2,000	292	Prizes - children
Gerald Fales Memorial Fund	1,000	146	Prizes
Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	146	Prizes
George B. Slater Fund	470	69	Prizes
Thayer Fund	2,000	292	Prizes
Hadwen Fund	1,000	146	Unrestricted
National Association of Gardeners Fund	1,366	194	Scholarships ($156) and add to principal ($38)
Harvie Channin Educational Fund	2,365	335	Scholarships ($267) and add to principal ($68)
Mrs. Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	146	Prizes
Myron F. Converse Memorial Fund	10,000	1,460	Prizes ($730) and library ($730)
Children's Garden Fund	500	73	Children's garden
Warren Higgins Fund	3,000	438	Scholarships
Edwin W. Proctor Fund	10,000	1,460	Scholarships ($730) and library ($730)
Scholarship Fund	50	7	Scholarships
Mend-A-Book Fund	3,500		Restoration of library materials
Total funds	$ 52,651		
Total earnings		$ 7,161	

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of the financial statments.

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

A major concern of the Building Committee this past year has been the deteriorating condition of the main roof over the central area of our building. It is evident that this should be replaced, but as it involves considerable expense, the matter has been delayed for a later decision.

Our rental fees and policies have been updated, and our boiler safety requirements and equipement revised as necessary.

Routine maintenance has been exceptionally well carried out by Bill Lambert, our custodian.

Respectfully submitted,
William J. Whipple, Chairman
Building Committee

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Society has two small bequests for scholarships which have been combined in the Proctor-Channin Scholarship Fund. Edwin Proctor and Harvey Channin were men who gave much of their time and knowledge, as well as their bequests, to the Society over many years.

The Executive Committee voted to make $1000.00 of income available for the 1984-85 school year. Five students applied. The Scholarship Committee awarded the grant to Norman Joseph Perreault, Jr.. Norman is now in his second year at the Stockbridge School of Agriculture in Amherst, MA. He hopes to continue his education after the two year course at Stockbridge. Already, during his high school years, he ran a successful landscape service and has supplied commercial landscapers with plants from his greenhouse in Grafton, where he resides. With this fine beginning, we hope he will go far in the horticultural world.

Respectfully submitted,
Isabel Arms, Chairman
Scholarship Committee

REPORT OF THE PRESERVATION ORCHARD COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

Right after the Spring Flower Show in March, the scion program goes into full action. This year the cutting of scion wood was scheduled for a day that was not only cold but had intermittent snow squalls. Twelve dedicated people spent the afternoon cutting the required number of scions of each variety.

Working for two and a half days, eleven people graded, labeled each scion, filled the orders and packaged. This is painstaking, detailed work requiring great accuracy. Many of the same people work each year.

This year we filled 100 orders using 1,000 scions. We sent to 32 states, among them Alaska. Washington State had the most orders (11) followed by Ohio, Massachusetts, Maine and Virginia.

There were 80 varieties listed on the 1984 order sheet. Because the trees are growing well, we could meet requests with few substitutions. This year, there will be 92 varieties on the 1985 list.

We have revised the order sheet using a number system instead of names. This, we feel, will make it easier for the person ordering and will reduce some of the steps in labeling and packaging. We are also offering a list of the old apples with a brief description of each variety.

There are some repeat orders but it is the everwidening interest and awareness of our unique program that continues the orders at the same level.

If feel this is one of the most important, worthwhile activities that the Society sponsors.

Respectfully submitted,
Marjorie W. Lodding, Chairman
Preservation Orchard Committee

REPORT OF THE EXHIBITIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

During 1984, seven flower shows were held at the W.C.H.S. Hall. The Exhibitions Committee was responsible for the coordination and execution of these shows with the assistance from volunteers and W.C.H.S. staff members. In the case of three of the smaller shows, the committee cooperated with the individual sponsoring societies to construct and promote their shows.

The Spring Show was held March 8-11. The show, though equally as beautiful as any other past show held, lost money due to a snow storm and below-freezing temperatures. This resulted in below average attendance and the last minute removal of the tent erected in the parking lot which was to be used for commercial purposes.

Five smaller shows were held in the Hall. They included The Rose Show, held by the New England Rose Society, on June 16; The Lily Show on July 6 and 7, held by the New England Regional Lily Group and The Daylily Show, held by the New England Hemerocallis Society, on July 28. Society sponsored shows included the Mid-Summer Show and Youth Exhibition on August 11 - 12 and the Harvest Show and Apple Festival on September 21 - 22. These shows contained numerous, excellent exhibits of horticulture. However, attnedance at these shows was only average for that of a smaller show.

On December 1 and 2, the Holiday Show, "Wood in Winter", attracted an audience of 1800+ people who were delighted by the winter gardens and horticultural displays portraying a winter or holiday theme. The Lower Hall contained 22 commercial booths. Due to the good attendance and the revenue from the booth rentals, a slight profit was made. All of these shows were carried out by a hard working group of volunteers, Society staff and committee members. They all deserve many thanks.

Looking ahead, the Spring Show for 1985 will be held Feb. 28 - March 3. The W.C.H.S. is cooperating with the New England Lawn and Garden Show. This show will be held at the Centrum on the same dates. A combined "discount ticket" is being offered for both shows, a shuttle bus between shows and cooperative advertising are being conducted. It promises to be an exciting show!

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Trudeau, Chairman
Exhibitions Committee

1984 SHOW WINNERS

1984 SPRING FLOWER SHOW

WCHS Silver medal for Garden Design and Consistency: HOBIN & FOSTER, ASSOCIATES
The Horticultural Club of Boston for Cultural Perfection: BIGELOW NURSERIES, INC.
The Professional Grounds Maintenance Society Award: HOLDEN FARM NURSERY
WCHS Bronze Medal for Most Outstanding Window by a Garden Club: Boylston Garden Club
WCHS Bronze Medal for Most Outstanding Garden by a Garden Club: Worcester Garden Club
WCHS Rosette for Best Educational Exhibit: Old Sturbridge Village

ROSE SHOW

Queen of the Show: Eugene O'Leary
Princess Trophy: Gerry and John Mattia
Miniature Queen Trophy: Cathy McQuain
American Rose Society Dowanger Queen Award: Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Brand
WCHS Award for Commercial Flower Arranging: Dean Florists, Inc.

LILY SHOW

Best in Class: Merritt Cutting
Non-Commercial Display Award: Henry and Phil Payne
Best Lily Arrangement: Margaret Savage
Best Basket of Lilies: Velley Lee

DAYLILY SHOW

Best in Show: Irene and Al Melin
Best Large Daylily: Roderick Spurr
Best Miniature Daylily: Carol Leighton Hull
Best Double Daylily: Mrs. Gregory Moore
Best Youth Entry: Holly Spurr
Division I Rose: James Denman
Division II Lily: Merritt Cutting

MID-SUMMER SHOW

Best Display of Cut Flowers: Lucy Dickinson
Market Basket Display: Joann White
Best Non-Commercial Display of Vegetables: Hazel Nelson
Youth Division: Best Display of Vegetables: Joanne LaPierre-Senior
Christopher LaPierre-Junior

HARVEST SHOW

Best in Class-Apples: Keown Orchards
WCHS award for Commercial Flower Arranging: Dean Florists, Inc.
Best Education Exhibit: Worcester County Beekeepers Association
Best Display of Fall Harvested Vegetables: Massachusetts Corrections Institute
Best in Show: Anthony Kilinskas

HOLIDAY SHOW

People's Choice for Best Landscape Garden: Hobin & Foster, Associates
Best Basket of Greens: Irene Salkiewicz
Best Garden Club Decorated Door: Northborough Garden Club
Best Educational Exhibit: New England Wildflower Society
Design Class: Dried Wreaths: Margaret Mirick

JUDGES

SPRING SHOW

Garden Design
Rudi Favretti
Ms. Pat Loheed
Vincent Merrill

Horticulture
Thurston Handley
George Jung
Paul Rogers
James Sutherland

Garden Clubs
Ms. Ann Carlsmith
Ms. Elise Laurenzi
Mrs. Janet Taber

ROSE SHOW

Floral Design
Mrs. Mabel Herweg
Mrs. Julie Lapham
Mrs. Polly Povall

DAYLILY SHOW

Design
Mrs. Marianne Harris
Mrs. Sally Pettit

Lilies
Mrs. Virginia Howie
Ms. Connie Thayer

Roses
Mrs. Martha Chapin
Dr. Eugene O'Leary

MID-SUMMER SHOW

Horticulture
Thomas Buchter
Mrs. Mary Owen

Design
Mrs. Mabel Herweg
Mrs. Sally Pettit

Youth
Merritt Cutting
Robert Smiley

HARVEST SHOW

Horticulture
Arthur O'Mara
Mrs. Mary Owen

Floral Design
Mrs. Marie O'Mara
Richard Salo

HOLIDAY SHOW

Floral Design
Mrs. Diane Bullock
Mrs. Polly Povall

Horticulture
Ms. Sarah Bennett
Robert Florsheim
Mrs. Janet Taber

Youth and Education
Mrs. Linda Milton
Mrs. Mary Owen
Mrs. Betsy Sargisson

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The past year has been a rather busy one for the Library. A total of 166 books were added to its shelves, 40 of which were donated and 9 books were added to the antique book collection in the Stack Room. Throughout last year, numerous botanists, horticulturists, scholars, etc. have viewed this collection and marveled at its content.

The Brooklyn Botanic Garden Handbooks and the Garden Way Bulletins continue to be popular items, selling quite well during shows and Library hours.

The Mend-A-Book Party, held in October to raise funds for the conservation of our books, was very successful. Mr. L. Barry Ferguson, who gave both lectures that day, is himself a collector of antique books. He was very impressed with our collection and shared a number of personal recollections that came to mind as he perused the books that line our Library's shelves.

The success of this venture was due largely to the efforts of Diane Paradis and John Trexler, as is also the $1500.00 grant awarded to the Library from the Mass. Arts Lottery Council. Through Diane's and John's efforts, there are now a number of antique books being repaired that otherwise would have continued to deteriorate.

A grateful thank you also goes to Karen Perkins, who sees that the Library is well decorated during shows and that the display case is always full of something new to learn.

The Library's hours have been extended to include Thursday evenings and one weekend a month.

And finally, it is with deep regret but with full understanding that we accept Librarian Wanda Sandberg's decision to retire after over 20 years of service. Her dedication to the Librarian's job could only be surpassed by her positive up-beat attitude, her everpresent smile and her warm greetings to all who entered the Library. But we're not letting her get away that easy! Wanda has consented to remain a member of the Library Committee.

After a long search, Mary Barroll has been chosen to be the Society's new Librarian. She has extensive library background as well as experience in grant research.

We wish to welcome Mary and let her know that the positive legacy Wanda leaves, we feel confident that she will carry through to the future.

Respectfully submitted,
Dorothy Cunningham, Chairman
Library Committee

REPORT OF THE SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

On June 4, 1984, John Trexler, Executive Director of the Worcester County Horticultural Society, informed the Board of Trustees of the Society about the progress made in regard to the concept of a Horticultural Center in Worcester County.

Mr. Trexler first summarized the information gathered from the questionnaire sent to Society members concerning the idea of a Horticultural Center. He then reported that approximately 18 properties were being considered for the location of the Horticultural Center for a variety of reasons: convenience to the City of Worcester, availability, size, quality of topography, accessibility, aesthetic value and others. Just recently, it has become evident that the historic background of a property is a significant criterion for evaluating a site.

Mr. Trexler added at the June 4 meeting that ultimately 3-4 sites were to be selected from the original 18 properties. These 3-4 properties were to be presented to the Board of Trustees at a later date. Also during this meeting, a Site Selection Committee was designated by the Executive Committee. This selection committee would be composed of nine individuals representing a wide diversity of backgrounds: arborist, landscaper, horticulturist, general contractor, garden club representative, lawyer and others. The President and Executive Director would be ex-officio representatives.

The Site Selection Committee would be divided into three groups of three representatives. They are as follows:

Group I: H. Waite Hurlburt, Marianne Harris, Helen Stoddard and William Whipple. They investigated Chedco Farm in Berlin as a potential site for the center.

Group II: Brian Fox, Linda Milton and John Koning. They investigated Deernolm in Millbury/Grafton, Hadwen Park and a site in Oxford.

Group III: R. Alden Miller, Cacki Hodgson and Paul Rogers. They investigated sites in Westboro, Auburn, Millbury and two in Oxford.

There were nine other properties that were considered but were eliminated primarily due to inaccessibility or unavailability. The properties were Green Hill Park; Old Sturbridge Village; two sites in Brookfield; one site each in Woodstock, CT, Grafton, Oxford, Northbridge and Millbury.

Of the nine properties evaluated by the Committee, four remain as potential sites for the Horticultural Center in the future. These properties are not immediately available, however, and a certain amount of frustration has developed in the process to successfully launch this potentially viable concept of a Horticultural Center in Worcester County.

Respectfully submitted,
Cacki Hodgson
Site Selection Committee

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Jan. 12	4pm	Slide Presentation by Fred Roberts, Director, WCHS
Feb. 13	10am	"Hearts and Flowers" - Floral Valentines by Gary Cipro, Administrative Assistant, WCHS
Feb. 13	1pm	"Hearts Shaped Wreaths" by Gary Cipro, Administrative Assistant, WCHS
Mar. 15	1pm	"Arranging Flowering Branches" by Gary Cipro, Administrative Assistant, WCHS
Apr. 3	2pm	"Herbs: Culinary, Medicinal and Decorative" by Lynn Hartman, Hartman's Herb Farm
Apr. 17	1pm	"Easter Tradition Decorations" by Gary Cipro, Administrative Assistant, WCHS
June 6	1pm	"Perennials in the Garden" by David J. Smith, White Flower Farm
June 21	8pm	"Celebrate Summer" by Paul Martin Brown, Naturalist
June 30	10am	Garden Walk: Cedar and Elm Streets with John Trexler, Director, WCHS
July 26	7pm	"Pests in the Garden" by Mary Owen, Worcester County Extension Service
Sept. 8	10am	"Lawn Renovation" by Bob Hobin in cooperation with Worcester County Extension Service
Sept. 13	8pm	"Our Future Home" by John Trexler, Director WCHS
Sept. 26	8pm	"Whats in a Name" by Dr. Howard Pfiefer, University of Connecticut
Oct. 17	2pm	"Floral Design and Demonstration" by Barry Ferguson, Oyster Bay, Long Island
Oct. 17	8pm	"China Alive" by Barry Ferguson, Oyster Bay, Long Island
Oct. 25	7pm	"Longwood Preview" by Karen Perkins, Educational Coordinator, WCHS
Nov. 7	9am	"Small Shop Workshop" with Karen Perkins, Educational Coordinator, WCHS
Nov. 10	1pm	"Holiday Dining" with Karen Perkins, Educational Coordinator, WCHS and Paula Meola, Sharfman's Jewelers, Worcester
Nov. 27	9am	"Hall Decorating Workshop" with Karen Perkins, Educational Coordinator, WCHS
Dec. 4	1pm	"Fresh Wreaths" with Karen Perkins, Educational Coordinator, WCHS
Dec. 4	7pm	"Fresh Wreaths" with Karen Perkins, Educational Coordinator, WCHS
Dec. 8	10am	"Pine Cone Wreaths" with Karen Perkins, Educational Coordinator, WCHS
Dec. 13	2pm	"Crispy Critters" with Karen Perkins, Educational Coordinator, WCHS

SHOWS

March 7-11	Spring Flower Show
June 16	Rose Show with New England Rose Society
July 6-7	Lily Show with New England Regional Lily Group
July 21	Daylily Show with New England Hemerocallis Society
Aug. 11-12	Mid-Summer Show and Youth Exhibition
Sept. 21-22	Harvest Show and Apple Festival
Dec. 1-2	Holiday Show

GARDEN TRIPS

April 5	"Flowers of Three Centuries", Wadsworth Atheneum and Nook Farm Gardens, Hartford, CT
May 2	"Art in Bloom", Museum of Fine Arts and Gardens and Greenhouses of Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston, MA
May 24	"Hidden Garden of Beacon Hill" and "Ware Collection of Blaschka Glass Flowers" at Harvard's Botanical Museum, Boston, MA
June 14	"Hartman's Herb Farm", "Studio of Robert Bly, Artist's Cottage" and "Weaver's Cottage", Barre, MA
Aug. 25	"Whiteflower Farm" and "Haight Vineyard", Litchfield, CT
Nov. 16-18	"Longwood Fantasy" included Brandywine River Museum, Winterthur Museum and Gardens, Longwood Gardens and Deleware Valley, PA and DE

MEMBERSHIP 1984

During 1984, 130 members joined our Society, 101 failed to renew and 9 were lost by death. The present membership totals 953,666 Annual members and 287 Life members.

The following are the new members of 1984:

Contributing:
Mr. George Bernardin
Mr. & Mrs. Warner Fletcher
Mr. & Mrs. Henry L. Rudio

Associate
Mr. Mark Forge

Garden Club:
Hortulus Garden Club

Friends:
Mr. & Mrs. Robert C. Achorn
Mr. & Mrs. Guy W. Burr
Dr. & Mrs. John W. Henderson
Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Meyer
Dr. & Mrs. Leonard Morse
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Nash
Mr. Terrance S. O'Connell
William & Diane Paradis
Mr. John W. Trexler
Mr. & Mrs. Herman Vanderwart

Family:
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Aicher
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Ames
Mr. & Mrs. David Bailly
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Baker
Mr. & Mrs. John Brennan
Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Bromberg
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Chaplain
Ms. Deborah Cochran
Mr. & Mrs. Ian Cochrane
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Constanzo
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel F. Cooney
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Crawford
William & Kristina Cullen
Mr. & Mrs. Byron S. Davis, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. John Fellows
Mr. & Mrs. James Foster
Mr. Peter George
Mr. & Mrs. David J. Hall
Mr. & Mrs. Theodore Hanson
Mr. & Mrs. Jay Hesselgrave
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hobin
Margaret & Jeanne Keegan
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Keegan
Mr. & Mrs. John Kristie
Mr. & Mrs. Carl A. Larson
Mr. & Mrs. Roger Leo
Mr. & Mrs. Buren C. Leslie
Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Levitt
Mr. & Mrs. Gordon W. MacPhee
Mr. & Mrs. David Mainville
Thomas Manning & Barbara Polan
Mr. & Mrs. Noel McKeon
Mr. & Mrs. Norman J. Mercier
Eleanor & Doryce Moosey
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Murphy
Jonathan Ostrow & Deborah Helsberg
Mr. & Mrs. John O'Toole
Mr. & Mrs. David Owerbach
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Quattrucci
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard J. Sairs
Mr. & Mrs. Malcom Sweenie
Mr. & Mrs. Francis E. Teczar
Dr. & Mrs. Stephen Warner
Joseph Yu & Didia Miranda
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Zecco

Individual
Mrs. Alden Abbott
Mrs. Martha Aspen
Mrs. Maureen Blake
Mr. Thomas Buchter
Ms. Joyce Burnor
Mr. Paul Carlberg
Mr. Ernest Cassavant
Mrs. Marcia Cathey
Dr. Michele Cimbala
Mrs. Suzanne Cook
Mr. James Courtney
Mrs. Suzanne Crain
Mrs. Bridget Curley
Mrs. Geri Dono
Mr. Michael Dolan
Mrs. Susan Dumaine
Mr. Charles J. Faris
Miss Sharon Lee Foster
Mrs. Alice Fredette
Mr. Robert Golden
Miss Elizabeth Grogan
Mrs. Mary T. Gustafson
Ms. Bonnie Hamilton
Miss Joyce Hortubise
Suzanne Howatt
Ms. Bobbie Hutchins
Mr. Peter Johnson
Mr. Howard Katz
Gail Kelleher
Mrs. Claire Kelley
Mrs. Henry W. LaJoie
Ms. Lena M. Lucivero
Miss Mary Lukaszek
Miss Anna Mays
Mr. Randall McClullen
Mr. Dennis M. Melican
Mrs. George W. Morrison
Ms. Kathleen Morse
Mrs. Honora Mostecki
Ms. Frances O'Hara
Mrs. Frances Palson
Ms. Karen Perkins
Mrs. JoAnn Piscillo
Mrs. Patricia Ramstrom
Mr. Fred Roberts
Mrs. Florence Salo
Ms. Julie Martin Sanders
Mr. James Shea, Jr.
Mrs. John G. Smith
Miss Maryellen Smith
Mrs. Sonya L. Smith
Mrs. Grace St. Martin
Mrs. Shirley Sullivan
Mrs. John Talbot
Miss Anita Tessier
Mrs. Lewis Tinari
Mr. William Tormey
Mrs. Emily Trexler
Ms. Linda Vadesz
Mrs. Carol Ward
Mrs. William R. White
Mrs. Phyllis Wilcox
Katherine Williams
Mr. Robert Zeleniak
Mr. Mark Zielonka

Student:
Miss Sheila Cashin
Mr. Mark Libby
Mrs. Ellen Raymond

The following members have passed away during 1984:

Mrs. Carroll Abbott

Ms. Helen Comstock

Mr. Bernard Knowlton

Mr. Tilton Barron

Mrs. William Fallon, Jr.

Mrs. Robert Fowler, Jr.

Mr. Robert Stoddard

Mrs. McDonough

Mrs. John Buckley

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Robert W. Stoddard

Mr. Stoddard, a successful businessman, community leader and philanthropist, died December 13, 1984. His presence will be greatly missed by the many organizations he was actively involved with. The same zest he showed in business, he also exhibited in the areas he strongly supported. This man of great and gentle character will certainly be missed by all.

Mr. Richard G. Dick

Mr. Dick, of Dick Brothers Manufacturers, died in December, 1984. Mr. Dick was a designer of church interiors and architechtural woodwork. He was the gentleman responsible for creating the magnificent paneling in the W.C.H.S. Library and Director's Office.

PRESIDENTS

OF

THE WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULUTURAL SOCIETY

JOHN GREEN	1840-1844
ISAAC DAVIS	1844-1848
JOHN MILTON EARLE	1848-1851
STEPHEN SALISBURY, 2ND	1851-1857
DANIEL WALDO LINCOLN	1857-1860
ALEXANDER H. BULLOCK	1860-1863
GEORGE JAQUES	1863-1864
J. HENRY HILL	1864-1867
FRANCIS H.DEWEY	1867-1871
GEORGE W.RICHARDSON	1871-1872
GEORGE E.FRANCIS	1872-1874
OBADIAH B. HADWEN	1875-1876
WILLIAM T. MERRIFIELD	1876-1879
STEPHEN SALISBURY, 3RD	1879-1880
FRANCIS H DEWEY	1881-1888
HENRY L. PARKER	1888-1895
OBADIAH B. HADWEN	1895-1907
GEORGE CALVIN RICE	1908-1909
EDWARD W.BREED	1910-1915
ARTHUR E. HARTSHORN	1916-1917
CHARLES GREENWOOD	1918-1919
LEONARD C.MIDGLEY	1920-1921
DAVID L. FISKE	1922-1923
MYRON F.CONVERSE	1923-1948
ALLEN W. HIXON	1948-1960
DR. ROBERT S. ILLINGWORTH	1960-1963
HERBERT E. BERG	1963-1964
LINWOOD M. ERSKINE, JR.	1964-1968
FREDERICK D. BROWN	1968-1971
PALMER W. BIGELOW, JR.	1972-1974
PAUL E. ROGERS	1975-1978
H. WAITE HURLBURT	1979-1984
CUSHING C. BOZENHARD	1-4/ 1984
PHILIP C. BEALS	5/1984-

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

After careful consideration, the Nominating Committee has agreed to nominate the following individuals for the office designated for 1985:

For President:	Philip C. Beals
For Vice Presidents:	Robert F. Florsheim
	R. Alden Miller
	Linda Milton
	Hope Spear
Treasurer:	Henry L. Rudio
Secretary:	Elizabeth Dean
For Trustees:	
Term Ending 1986:	Anita Hooker
Term Ending 1988:	George Bernardin
	Thomas Buchter
	Richard W. Dearborn
	Elizabeth Gifford
	Catherine Hodgson
	Gale Morgan
For Nominating Committee:	Duane Sargisson, Chairman
	Rebecca Moore
	Tammy Butler

Respectfully submitted,
H. Waite Hurlburt, Chairman
Nominating Committee

1984 ANNUAL MEETING

January 17, 1985
AGENDA

Call to Order: Hope Spear, Vice President

Secretary's Report: Ernestine Blanchard

Treasurer's Report: Henry L. Rudio

Report of the Committees:

1. Finance: Robert Florsheim
2. Land Search: Catherine Hodgson
3. Exhibitions: Paul Trudeau
4. Library: Dorothy Cunningham
5. Orchard: Marjorie Lodding
6. Scholarship: Isabel Arms
7. Nominating: H. Waite Hurlburt

Conclusion

Adjourn

Program: *"Through the Seasons With Thoreau"*

Speaker: Mr. Albert Bussewitz

PROGRAM OF THE 1984 ANNUAL MEETING

Through The Seasons With Thoreau

A Slide-Lecture Presentation

by

Albert W. Bussewitz

Teacher-Naturalist-Photographer

Through The Seasons With Thoreau is a visually oriented interpretation of Henry David Thoreau based primarily on excerpts derived from the 14 volumes of his JOURNALS. It was researched, photographed and edited to emphasize the genius of Thoreau as one of America's greatest writers and observers of the landscape as well as a precursor of the modern environmentalist.

The sensitively selected slides were drawn from many thousands of exposures taken in territory traveled by the Concord cabin builder, particularly the environs of Walden Pond, Concord and Cape Cod. They were then carefully aligned with observations recorded in the JOURNALS. The effort entailed countless hours and forays afield with camera and tripod and in weather equally fair and foul. With Thoreau as our guide, our first steps are taken with the entry of Feb. 19th, 1854 just as the silvery down of the willow catkins are "peeping like a mouse from under their covert". Our walk concludes with an early morning saunter along the Walden shoreline where the overarching trees laden with snow are the "side aisles of a cathedral".

Through The Seasons is the kind of a walk that demonstrates a need for reallocating our perspectives and priorities; our human and natural resources. It is a reaffirmation of Thoreau's observation: "What is the use of a house if you haven't got a tolerable planet to put it on?".

Biography: Mr. Bussewitz served as teacher-naturalist on the staff of the Massachusetts Audubon Society for 27 years. At the time of his recent retirement he was Director of the Rocky Knoll Nature Center in Milton. His academic background in languages and natural sciences derives from graduate and post-graduate studies at Northwestern, Wisconsin and the University of Rochester. Before coming to Milton, he taught and directed sanctuary and natural history programs at Moose Hill Wildlife Sanctuary in Sharon and Stony Brook Nature Center in Norfolk.

Al Bussewitz has long been actively associated with the Boston Camera Club, particularly the Nature and Color sections. For the past eight summers, he has been involved with the Country School of Photography in Woodstock, VT as resident naturalist. He is an active member of many natural science organizations, including the New England Botanical Club and the Boston Mycological Club. He is a life member of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and in 1970-71 served as President of the International Thoreau Society. He has recently taken up residence in Jamaica Plain near the 265 acre Arnold Arboretum which now serves as his primary studio and site for continuing field trips and botanical studies.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

As these transactions have outlined, 1984 was a year of many changes for the Horticultural Society. Multiple changes can often be disorienting and unproductive. As we reflect on 1984, the Society has experienced positive growth and has clearly defined its future path.

This organization was founded with the purpose to educate the public on the subject of horticulture. In the past, it was thought the tool of flower show exhibits was the most effective way to communicate horticulture. Today, the Society has committed itself to acquiring property and developing a public display garden and arboretum. We are now on the threshold of a new and productive future. We must be forever mindful that embarking on a new and different path can be dangerous. We must take each new step carefully and with clear thought. Our future is bright. 1984 was the beginning and with everyone's support, there will be meaningful days ahead.

Respectfully submitted,
John W. Trexler
Executive Director

Transactions

of the

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Year ending 1985

30 Elm Street
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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1985

President
Philip C. Beals

Vice Presidents
Robert F. Florsheim R. Alden Miller Hope Spear Linda Milton

Secretary
Elizabeth Dean

Treasurer
Henry Rudio

Executive Director
John Trexler

Educational Coordinator
Karen Perkins

Administrative Assistant
Diane Paradis (January - October)
Janice Irwin (December)

Librarian
Mary Barroll (January - August)
Anita Volungis (September - December)

Custodian
William Lambert (January - August)
William Vail (September - November)
Jim Hayes (December)

Trustees

1986	1987	1988
Brian Fox	Karl Briel	George Bernardin
Lissa Kasakoff	John Jeppson	Thomas Buchter
Rebecca Moore	John Koning	Richard Dearborn
Anita Hooker	Paul Trudeau	Betty Gifford
Joseph Sherer, Jr.	Cushing Bozenhard	Catherine Hodgson
	Ginger Tilton	

Honorary Trustees

Arnold Banning	H. Waite Hurlburt
Fayre Nason	Helen Stoddard
Howard Borggaard	Leslie Winter

COMMITTEES 1985

Nominating Committee

Duane Sargisson, Chr.
Rebecca Moore
Tammy Butler

Building Committee

Cushing Bozenhard, Chr.
Brian Fox
William Whipple

By-Laws Committee

John Mirick, Chr.

Exhibitions Committee

Paul Trudeau, Chr.
James Denman
Lynn Hartman
Isabel Lane
Matthew Mattus
Linda Milton
Margaret Mirick
Arthur O'Mara

Finance Committee

Robert Florsheim, Chr.
David Hall
John Mirick
Henry Rudio, ex officio

Library Committee

Dorothy Cunningham, Chr.
Mary Barroll
Susan Barron
Helen Calkins
Robert Florsheim
Catherine Hodgson
Wanda Sandberg
Janet Taber

Membership Committee

Isabel Arms, Chr.

Preservation Orchard Committee

Marjorie Lodding, Chr.
Gladys Bozenhard
Fayre Nason
Arthur O'Mara
Stephanie Wondolowski

Scholarship Committee

Gale Morgan, Chr.
R. Alden Miller
Sally Pettit
George Starkus

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE PRESIDENT

November 1985

To all Members of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Trustees, and Staff of the Worcester County Horticultural Society, I am pleased to announce that an agreement has been signed for the purchase of real estate for our new headquarters. The property selected is the former Maynard Carter estate, Tower Hill Farm. The property is located on Route 70 in Boylston, just ten minutes from downtown Worcester.

As most of you know, the Society has been considering possible sites for its proposed display garden since June of 1983. Since that time, over 25 sites were examined before settling on the Boylston location.

Tower Hill has 130 acres and possesses a commanding view of Wachusett Reservoir and the mountains beyond. The terrain is gently rolling with both lovely sweeping fields and mature woodlands. There is even a small pond on the property. An 18th-century farmhouse and barn will house office, library and educational activities.

The search for a site for our Horticultural Center was indeed a long and involved one. The property we are now acquiring just recently became available and is, we think, by far the finest of all those we examined.

More information will be forthcoming soon, but we wanted you to know this exciting news as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Philip C. Beals
President

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The reports by the Chairpersons of the standing committees have shown us what a busy and productive year 1985 has been for the Worcester County Horticultural Society. There are three topics which I would like to share with you that exemplify the progressive growth and influence of the Society during 1985.

The first may not seem extraordinary in these progressive times, but is significant to this old institution, and that is the entry into the computer age. With generous gifts from Frank and Louise Harrington and Phil Beals, the Society was able to acquire a Compac personal

computer. This will enable the Society to maintain detailed financial records, membership information, and inventory lists. In addition the services of an automatic payroll service were engaged which takes on the important job of maintaining clear and accurate records for a growing employee roster. Adopting a 20th-century approach to office management was an important accomplishment in 1985.

Since 1980, the Society has served as a consultant to the Nathaniel Wheeler Trust. The Trust's sole commitment is the beautification of Worcester's public spaces. In 1985 the lower half of the Highland Street boundary of the Memorial Auditorium was landscaped complementing work that had been done earlier at the courthouse. The Trust also provided funds to do a simple landscape at 31 Harvard Street and to inventory the historic landscape at the Rural Cemetery on Grove Street.

The third and most significant happening(s) of 1985 began in the last days of 1984. On December 26, I was given a tour of Clark University's Hadwen Arboretum by Jim Collins, Clark's Vice President. The 27-acre site was the former estate of Obadiah Hadwen, the Society's president from 1895 until his death in 1907. The Arboretum had fallen into disrepair and Clark was proposing that the Society consider it as its new home. Negotiations continued until late April when it was concluded that a compatible arrangement was not possible. On December 31, at the recommendation of Wyatt Garfield of the Trustees of Public Reservation, I looked at a 130-acre site in Boylston called Tower Hill Farm. This site was very impressive; however, it was put on the back burner due to the negotiations with Clark University. In May 1985, with the understanding that the Hadwen was no longer a viable option, energy was put into the pursuit of Tower Hill. Friendly discussions were held with the owners during the next several months and a Purchase and Sales Agreement was signed on October 31. This was probably the happiest day of the year. With the knowledge that we will own the property early in 1986, we have high expectations for the coming year.

1985 was a year marked with many significant events. Most were positive; all have put us securely onto the track of reaching our goal -— the creation of a facility which will greatly enrich the public's knowledge and appreciation of horticulture.

Respectfully submitted,
John W. Trexler
Executive Director

REPORT OF THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Executive Committee of the Worcester County Horticultural Society recommends that Article I of the By-Laws of the Society be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE I

Name and Location

The name of this organization shall be Worcester County Horticultural Society. The principal office shall be in the City of Worcester, Massachusetts. The Trustees may change the location of the principal office in Worcester County effective upon filing a certificate with the Secretary of State of the Commonwealth.

Currently, Article I reads as follows:

ARTICLE I

Name and Location

The name of this society shall be Worcester County Horticultural Society. Its principal office shall be in the City of Worcester, Massachusetts.

The proposed amendment is required because the Society will be moving its principal place of office from Horticultural Hall to Tower Hill.

Respectfully submitted,
John O. Mirick, Chairman
By-Laws Committee

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The membership of the Committee is the same as last year and is composed of the following: Robert F. Florsheim, Chairman; David J. Hall; John O. Mirick; Henry L. Rudio, ex officio; Philip C. Beals, ex officio; and John W. Trexler, ex officio. There were twelve meetings in fiscal year 1985.

At the beginning of the fiscal year ending November 30, 1985, the Society's investment portfolio, not including the $90,000 note on the Front Street property, totaled approximately $367,000, of which about half was in common stocks. By the end of the fiscal year, our investments totaled approximately $491,000 (not including a $35,000 deposit on the Tower Hill property), of which about 80% was in common stocks and 20% in a money-market fund invested in short-term government and government-agency securities.

For the fiscal year, the total return of capital gains plus dividends on the equity portion of the portfolio amounted to $68,000 ($58,000 in capital gains and about $10,000 in dividends). This works out to a total percentage gain of 25% on a time-adjusted base. This return was kept down somewhat by the timing of the July 15 reinvestment of the Front Street Note proceeds which coincided with a temporary high-point in the market.

For comparison, a well-known mutual fund with similar portfolio objectives showed a total return of 25% in the same time period and the Standard & Poor's average of 500 stocks was up 29%.

The Committee's current policy continues to stress capital appreciation with dividend income a distinctly secondary consideration. The equity portfolio consists primarily of well-known, high-grade common stocks.

We wish to acknowledge the special help we have received from Guaranty Bank and its representative on our Committee, David Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert F. Florsheim, Chairman
Finance Committee

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

BALANCE SHEET
November 30, 1985

CURRENT FUNDS				
Assets:				
Unrestricted				
Cash	$	6,359		
Savings and temporary cash investments		31,682		
Marketable securities - market value - $400,506		322,804	$	360,845
Restricted				
Due from Land, Building and Equipment Fund				27,346
Total assets			$	388,191
Liabilities:				
Unrestricted				
Employees' withholdings	$	2,083		
Restricted				
Unexpended gifts and income		27,346		
Total liabilities			$	29,429
Fund balance				358,762
Total liabilities and fund balance			$	388,191
LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FUND				
Assets:				
Land, building and equipment	$	553,296		
Less - Accumulated depreciation		306,180	$	247,116
Deposit on Tower Hill property				35,000
Total assets			$	282,116
Liabilities:				
Due to Endowment and Restricted Funds	$	35,000		
Total liabilities			$	35,000
Fund balance				247,116
Total liabilities and fund balance			$	282,116
ENDOWMENT FUNDS				
Assets:				
Temporary cash investments	$	47,584		
Due from Land, Building and Equipment Fund		7,654		
Total assets			$	55,238
Fund balances			$	55,238

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Statement of Income and Expenditures and Fund Balances
For the Year ended November 30, 1985

CURRENT FUNDS		
Income:		
Contributions	$ 77,859	
Membership dues	16,754	
Use of Horticultural Hall	11,044	
Dividends and Interest:		
Unrestricted	22,796	
Restricted	6,346	
Total income		$ 134,799
Expenditures:		
Salaries	83,362	
Payroll taxes	5,466	
Employee benefits	4,549	
Library services	4,183	
Professional fees	5,276	
Office supplies and expense	2,536	
Newsletter and general printing	2,194	
Postage	1,661	
Telephone	3,210	
Occupancy	26,147	
Travel, conferences, seminars	1,421	
Motor vehicle expense	1,434	
Miscellaneous expense	4,468	
Total expenditures		145,907
		(11,108)
Net income from auxiliary activities		14,582
		3,474
Other income (charges):		
(Loss) on sale of securities - net	(573)	
Purchase of equipment for Land, Building and Equipment Fund	(6,845)	
Restricted income reinvested	(87)	
Increase in unexpended restricted gifts and income	(1,813)	(9,318)
Excess of expenditures and charges over income		(5,844)
Fund balance:		
December 1, 1984		364,606
November 30, 1985		$ 358,762

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES AND FUND BALANCES
For the Year ended November 30, 1985

LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FUND		
Fund balance, December 1, 1984	$	257,225
Additions purchases from current funds		6,845
Depreciation for the year	(	16,954)
Fund balance, November 30, 1985	$	247,116
ENDOWMENT FUNDS		
Additions:		
Elouise S. Knight Memorial Fund	$	1,500
Bernice B. Heald Fund		1,000
Restricted income added to principal		87
Total additions		2,587
Fund balances:		
December 1, 1984		52,651
November 30, 1985	$	55,238

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Year ended November 30, 1985

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

BASIS OF PRESENTATION - The financial statements have been prepared using the cash basis of accounting. As a result they do not reflect accrued income, prepaid expenses, accounts payable or accrued expenses.

LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT - All fixed assets are fully depreciated with the exception of additions since December 1, 1979 which are being depreciated using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives of 5 to 15 years.

Notes to Financial Statements

LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT - At November 30, 1985 the asset accounts consisted of:

	Basis	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Book Value
Land	$ 102,000	$	$ 102,500
Buildings	201,000	201,000	-
Improvements and equipment	238,521	99,543	138,978
Motor vehicle	11,275	5,637	5,638
	$ 553,296	$ 306,180	$ 247,116

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Year ended November 30, 1985

ENDOWMENT AND RESTRICTED FUNDS – During the year the Society Trustees voted to use temporarily $35,000 of Endowment and Restricted Fund assets as a purchase deposit on the Tower Hill property in Boylston, Massachusetts. This amount was returned to the funds on April 2, 1986. Income is being credited to these funds for the term of the borrowing at the same rate as earned by the remaining assets.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS – On October 31, 1985 the Society entered into an agreement to purchase property on Tower Hill Road, Boylston, Massachusetts as its new home. The purchase was consummated on April 1, 1986. The land and building at 30 Elm Street, Worcester, Massachusetts was then sold to the Worcester Historical Museum on August 15, 1986. Short-term borrowing was obtained to finance the purchase of the Boylston property until the sale of the Worcester property was completed when the loan was repaid in full.

In the spring of 1986 a capital fund campaign was undertaken with a target of $2,500,000. Funds raised will be used for the acquisition of the Tower Hill property and its future development.

Worcester County Horticultural Society
Tower Hill Road
Boylston, Massachusetts

I have examined the balance sheet of the Worcester County Horticultural Society as of November 30, 1985 and the related statements of income and expenditures and fund balances for the year then ended, all prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, such financial statements referred to above present fairly the financial position of the Worcester County Horticultural Society at November 30, 1985 and the results of its operation for the year then ended, in conformity with the basis of accounting described in the summary of significant accounting policies.

October 17, 1986

Kleber A. Campbell, 3rd
Certified Public Accountant

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Endowment Funds
November 30, 1985

	Principal Amount	Earnings For Year	Earnings Restricted For
Francis Henshaw Dewey Fund	$ 1,000	$ 116	Books for library
William Eames Fund	500	58	Prizes
Frederick A. Blake Fund	1,000	116	Prizes
Edwin Draper Fund	300	35	Prizes
Miss Frances Clary Morse Fund	500	58	Prizes
Miss Lucy M. Coulson Fund	1,000	116	Prizes
G. A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	116	Prizes
Chandler Bullock Fund	1,000	116	Prizes
Miss Elizabeth R. Bishop Fund	500	58	Prizes
Samuel T. and Anna N. W. Hobbs Fund	5,000	582	Children's interests
Edwin Winslow Lincoln Fund	1,000	116	Unrestricted
Cook-Davey Fund	600	70	New fruits, scholarships
Elouise S. Knight Memorial Fund	3,500	393	Prizes - children
Gerald Fales Memorial Fund	1,000	116	Prizes
Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	116	Prizes
George B. Slater Fund	470	55	Prizes
Thayer Fund	2,000	233	Prizes
Hadwen Fund	1,000	116	Unrestricted
National Association of Gardeners Fund	1,398	159	Scholarships ($127) and add to principal ($32)
Harvie Channin Educational Fund	2,420	275	Scholarships ($220) and add to principal ($55)
Mrs. Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	116	Prizes
Myron F. Converse Memorial Fund	10,000	1,166	Prizes ($583) and library ($583)
Children's Garden Fund	500	58	Children's garden
Warren Higgins Fund	3,000	349	Scholarships
Edwin W. Proctor Fund	10,000	1,166	Scholarships ($583) and library ($583)
Scholarship Fund	50	6	Scholarships
Mend-A-Book Fund	3,500	407	Restoration of library materials
Bernice B. Heald Fund	1,000	58	Prizes
Total funds	$ 55,238		
Total earnings		$ 6,346	

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

A born-again Membership Committee for the Society is still in the making. We hope that members from other parts of Worcester County will join city members in reactivating this committee. As our plans for the year at Tower Hill are more clearly defined we will undertake a membership drive.

As a beginning all members who had not renewed their membership in 1985 were telephoned. Many seemed interested in the Society's new location and will hopefully renew their membership.

Respectfully submitted,
Isabel Arms, Chairman
Membership Committee

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

This committee was formed in late November 1985 for the purpose of deciding upon renovations to the residence and the barn at Tower Hill. The Committee met in December to inspect the property and decided that the first order of business would be to have measured drawings of the residence prepared so that planning could be done for offices for the Executive Director and Staff. Some attention was given to locations for the principal books of the library and it was decided that further planning for this work would best be done after measured drawings were available.

It was agreed that attention to the barn's renovations or restoration would be delayed until the residence was decided upon, but it was generally agreed that the barn could be repaired and used temporarily until a long-range plan could be developed.

A contract has been awarded to Stuart Thurston of Boylston, an architectural draftsman, who is currently preparing floor plans.

Respectfully submitted,
Cushing C. Bozenhard, Chairman
Building Committee

MEMBERSHIP 1985

During 1985, 125 members joined our Society, 69 failed to renew and 14 were lost by death.

The following are the new members of 1985:

Individual:
Mary-Louise Altobelli
Dorothy E. Armstrong
Mirjam Auger
Joyce Bellino
Eileen Botty
Betty Bouchard
Brian M. Chandley
Richard Chevalier
Pamela Clark
Quintin Clough
Sally Cort
Barbara M. Cunningham
Richard Daley
Deborah Jean Decker
Sally Demetry
Diana Eramo
Anne Fagnant
Dorothy Foley
Cynthia Forman
Joanne Frey
Mary Jo George
Jeanne Georgon
Ezekiel Goodband
Frances Gordon
Cassie Gosselin
Jeannette I. Gregoire
Virginia Hair
Kimberlee Hanson
Rita Ann Hay
Barbara Horsfall
Martha E.W. Howard
Jorie Hunken
Jan Irwin
Nancy Karsberg
Steve Kelley
Wendy Kraus
Ann Kulisa
Mary Langevin
John Lapomardo
Mark Leslie
Eve Linn
Faith Linzee
Jim Long
Tom Lorraine
Kenneth Lundquist
Irving G. Lundquist
Roger Manahan
Joanne Markarian
Sally Meeting
Beverly Mello
Mona Metro
Peggy Mongeau
Dorothy Mullaney
Deborah Norton
Bette Ostenfeld
Barbara Pantos
William Perkins, Jr.
Eva Pohja
Alice Pollard
Lucy Racine
Eleanor Randolph
Betty Reno
Barbara Rhodes
Mrs. Mervyn E. Richards
Frances Shugrue
Eugenie Smith
Kay Townsend
Elizabeth Turner
Anita C. Volungis
Doris Warfield
Gayle Flanders Weiss
Patricia Wheeler
Betsy Williams
Eva Yeiter

Family:
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph J. Butare, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Bernard L. Caniff, Sr.
Mr. & Mrs. Alex Carl
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Cohan
Mr. & Mrs. John Cooke
Mr. & Mrs. Fred Donaldson
Cynthia & Michael Dube
Mr. & Mrs. David Fahlstrom
Mr. & Mrs. Allen Fletcher
Mary Gleason
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Mr. & Mrs. Arthur R. Hansen
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Mr. & Mrs. Ellis D. Kendall
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Dr. & Mrs. Jeffrey D. Levine
Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Librandi
Mr. & Mrs. David Lloyd
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Morin
Ernest Morin
Francis & Janet Morrison
Mr. & Mrs. Matt Pagano
Mr. & Mrs. David J. Parker
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Pecha
Dr. & Mrs. Lawrence Peterson
Dr. & Mrs. Michael Polseno
Mr. & Mrs. Nicolas Reitzel
Mr. & Mrs. Robert J. Ruch
Mr. & Mrs. Reynald Sansoucy
Shirley Sauer
Paul H. Schmidt
Sandra Toschis
Mr. & Mrs. John W. Walker
Fred & Joanne Warren
Mr. & Mrs. Parker Wellington, Jr.
Bob, Diane, Alicia & Ian Witt

Associate:
Margaret Assad
Deborah Daebler
William & Nancy Forrest
Nora Keil
Judith S. King
Darrell & Karen Probst
Woodbury C. Titcomb
Worcester Cultural Commission

Contributing:
Mr. & Mrs. J. Duncan Pitney

Garden Club:
Boylston Garden Club
Colonial Garden Club of Marlboro

The following members passed away during 1985:

Howard Borggaard

John C. Ewer

Mrs. Herman Temple

Vernon E. Davis

Warren G. Davis

Mildred M. Fletcher

Stanley I. Rice

Mrs. E. Stanley Wright

Mrs. George H. Johnson

Ruth Chupis O'Neil

Ethel McGrath

Arsen Najarian

James J. Farrell

Maurice E. Garside

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Howard Borggaard

Howard Borggaard, Honorary Trustee and accomplished judge of our summer exhibitions, died recently at the age of 84. Few Society members gave so unselfishly of their time and talents as Howard. A member of the Society since 1948, Howard shared his intense interest in gardening with the entire membership. Many learned from his uncomplicated horticultural style, and are better gardeners thanks to him.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The year 1985 saw the addition of 101 books to our Library's shelves. Of these, 50 were purchases and 51 donated. Total monies expended from restricted funds were $365.65 (Dewey fund), $636.88 (Converse fund), and $433.90 (Proctor fund).

The conservation of our antique books continued with the completion of the books repaired under the State Arts Lottery Grant of $1500. The Committee voted that $600.00 from Restricted Funds be used for the repair of *Parkinson's Herbal.*

An Inter-Library Loan Policy has been established as follows:

1. No books or periodicals will be circulated *via* inter-library loan. Photocopies *only* will be sent.

2. The charge for photocopies is 25¢ per page for the first ten pages and 15¢ per page thereafter. No postage is charged.

3. Rare/old journals will be photocopied at the Librarian's discretion.

The listing of our library's periodical holdings published in the "Union List" of serials has been greatly increased due to the efforts of our former librarian, Mary Barroll. The listing now includes our antique journals. Members of the Worcester Area Cooperating Libraries have marveled at the extent of our holdings. Much time and effort went into updating our listing and we give a grateful thank-you to Mary. In the year she spent as librarian, Mary has done much to improve access to the books in our circulating collection as well as in the conservation of our antique books.

Respectfully submitted,
Dorothy Cunningham, Chairman
Library Committee

REPORT OF THE EXHIBITIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

On February 28 the Annual Spring Flower Show opened to the public. Every available space was filled with exhibits including landscape gardens, individual horticultural displays, and commercial booths. Before the doors closed at 6PM on March 3, over 7000 people had viewed the show and 200 people attended the February 27 evening Preview Party. All of this resulted in a net show profit of approximately $15,000.

During the summer of 1985 three special interest shows were held: the June 22nd Rose Show, the Lily Show on July 13th, and the Hemerocallis Show on July 27th. While these shows tend to draw small audiences, those who do attend leave very pleased at having seen outstanding displays and exhibits of roses and lilies. We hope that in the future more people will patronize these shows.

Members and visitors attending the December 6th showing of **Moonshadows - Awakening the Winter Senses,** found the Great Hall filled with winter garden landscapes of which the only light present was that from the night-lit landscapes themselves and four overhead star constellations which set the mood for a unique and stimulating show. Exhibitors apparently enjoyed the change in theme as individual non-commercial exhibits were numerous, of a high quality, and very imaginative. Attendance was below anticipation with only 1000 people attending, resulting in a slight loss.

Looking ahead, the Spring Show of 1986 will be held here at Horticultural Hall for the last time. It promises to be a show equal to all shows of the past.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Trudeau, Chairman
Exhibitions Committee

1985 SHOW WINNERS

SPRING FLOWER SHOW

WCHS Silver Medal for Excellence in Design and Consistency: Hobin & Foster, Inc.
WCHS Silver Medal for Suitability and Quality of Plant Material: Bigelow Nurseries Inc.
Hobin & Foster, Inc.
George B. Slater Silver Medal for Most Distinguished Exhibit: Hardwicke Gardens
First Place Landscape: Hobin & Foster, Inc.
First Place Landscape: Hobin & Foster, Inc.
People's Choice Award: Hardwicke Gardens
First Place Garden Club Exhibit: Worcester Garden Club
Sharfman Bowl for Excellence in Table Setting: Mrs. Bert Dickinson

ROSE SHOW

Queen of Show: Peter Frankenfeld
King of Show: John Mattia
Princess of Show: David Ciak
Queen of Arrangements: Isabel Lane

LILY SHOW

Best Non-commercial Display of Lilies: Hazel Nelson
Best In Show: Anthony Kilinskas
Commercial Design: Michael Skaff

DAYLILY SHOW

Sweepstakes Winner: Robert McTaggart
Best Large Daylily: Ken Stone
Best Miniature Daylily: Bertie Ferris
Craig Walk
Best Small Daylily: Suzanne Mahler
Best Non-commercial Display: Heritage Plantation

WINTER GARDEN SHOW

WCHS Silver Medal for Excellence in Design and Consistency: R.L. Hobin Co.
George B. Slater Silver Medal for Most Distinguished Exhibit:
Landscapes by Darrell
Merrifield Medal for Best Educational Exhibit: Princeton Garden Club

JUDGES

SPRING FLOWER SHOW

Landscapes	Horticulture	Floral Design	Youth & Education
Joseph Hudak	Sarah Bennett	Richard Salo	Thomas Buchter
James Fasser	Janet Taber	Chrystella Ramsey	Mary Owen
Ann Carlsmith	Byron Martin	Doris Clark	George Starkus

ROSE SHOW

Cut Flower & Container Plants	Vegetables & Fruits	Design
Phyllis Gillespie	Arthur O'Mara	Richard Salo
Sarah Bennett	Mary Owen	Marie O'Mara
Merritt Cutting		
Mary Flanigan		

LILY SHOW

Cut Flowers, Fruits, & Vegetables	Youth, Education & Design
Phyllis Gillespie	Linda Milton
Mary Owen	Arthur O'Mara
	Marie O'Mara

DAYLILY SHOW

Horticulture	Design
Phyllis Gillespie	Sally Pettit
Mary Owen	Linda Milton
Thomas Buchter	

WINTER GARDEN SHOW

Landscapes	Horticulture	Design	Youth & Education
Richard Daley	Sarah Bennett	Michael Skaff	Jorie Hunken
Peter Klejna	David Longland	Sally Pettit	Mary Flanigan
Thomas Buchter	Phyllis Gillespie	Henry Schmidt	Madelaine Zadik
	Martha Hedlund		

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Jan. 12	10:00am	Flower Arranging Made Easy by Karen Perkins, Educational Coordinator, WCHS
Jan. 17	1:30pm	Through The Seasons With Thoreau by Albert Bussewitz, Photographer/Naturalist
Jan. 24	7:30pm	Planting Your Garden To Attract Birds by Cindy Brown, Horticulturalist
Feb. 10	2:00pm	The Winter Garden by Thomas Buchter, Director, New England Wildflower Society
Feb. 13	2:00pm	The Earliest of Spring Bloomers by John Trexler, Director, WCHS
Mar. 9	10:00am	Grafting Techniques by Gladys Bozenhard & Fayre Nason, Amateur Grafters
Mar. 14	1:00pm	General Care of Houseplants by Wendy Kraus, Horticulturalist
Mar. 20	2:00pm	Flower Arranging for Beginners by Karen Perkins, WCHS
Apr. 4	2:00pm	Spring Corsages by Karen Perkins, WCHS
Apr. 11	7:00pm	Basic Vegetable Gardening by Sarah Bennett, Worcester County Extension Service
Apr. 13	10:00am	Happiness Is An Herb Garden by Lynn Hartman, Hartman's Herb Farm
Apr. 15	12:15pm	The Queen's Garden – Film
Apr. 23	2:00pm	*Volunteer Appreciation Day* Gardens of the United Kingdom by Karen Perkins, WCHS
Apr. 25	3:00pm	Rose Pruning Workshop by Jim Denman, New England Rose Society
Apr. 26	10:00am	Tree Diseases by Mary Owens, Worcester County Extension Service
Apr. 28	12:00pm	Arbor Day at Elm Park, Karen Perkins and John Trexler, WCHS
May 21	12:15pm	Advanced Vegetable Gardening – Slide show
July 19	12:15pm	Insect & Insect-like Pests of Landscape Ornamentals – Slide show
July 26	12:15 pm	Diseases of Landscape Ornamentals – Slide show
Aug. 24	10:00am	Press A Daisy by Karen Perkins, WCHS
Aug. 27	2:00pm	Snippets From The Garden by Karen Perkins, WCHS
Sept. 24	8:00pm	Cemeteries as Public Gardens by Blanche Linden-Ward, Consultant
Sept. 29	1:00pm	S. Lothrop Davenport Preservation Orchard Program by John Trexler, Director, WCHS
Oct. 13	1:00pm	Autumn Arrangements Karen Probst, WCHS
Nov. 10	2:00pm	Crispy Critters Workshop by Karen Probst, WCHS
Nov. 23	10:00am	Living Wreath Workshop by Linda Milton, WCHS Trustee
Dec. 10	2:00pm 7:00pm	Fresh Holiday Wreaths by Karen Probst, WCHS

SHOWS

Feb. 27, 28 Mar. 1, 2	Spring Flower Show
June 15	Rose Show with New England Rose Society
July 13, 14	Lily Show with New England Regional Lily Group
July 27	Daylily Show with New England Hemerocallis Society
Aug. 18	All Saints Church Invitational Flower Show
Dec. 6, 7, 8	Winter Garden Show

GARDEN TRIPS

Mar. 12	New England Spring Flower, Boston, MA
May 3	Blithewold Gardens & Arboretum, Bristol, RI
May 4	Bartholomew's Cobble, Ashley Falls, MA
May 25	Tour of Elm Park by John Trexler, Director, WCHS
June 5	Garden of Carleton Goff, Barrington, RI and Llys-Yr-Rhosyn, the rose garden of Karl P. Jones
June 26	Garden of Dick and Herbert Redfield, Scotland, CT and Logee's Greenhouses, Danielson, CT
Aug. 13	Plimouth Plantation, Plymouth, MA and The New Alchemy Institute, East Falmouth, MA
Sept. 14	Hartman's Herb Farm, Barre, MA; Frank Bly Studio, Hardwick, MA; and Jason's Fleece Shop, Petersham, MA
Sept. 28	Rural and Hope Cemeteries, Worcester, MA
Oct. 11	ColorFall Flower Show, Springfield, MA and Stanley Park, Westfield, MA
Oct. 16	Arnold Arboretum, Jamaica Plain, MA and Mt. Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge, MA
Oct. 26	Smith College Greenhouses, Northampton, MA and Mt. Holyoke College Greenhouses and Japanese Garden, Holyoke, MA

REPORT OF THE PRESERVATION ORCHARD COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

March brings the Spring Flower Show followed the next week by the Scion Program. This year the day chosen to cut the scions was about 50° with no wind — a welcome change from the usual blustery cold weather. Nine people participated in cutting scions this spring. The next day six volunteers began preparing them for shipment which required each scion or twig be individually labeled. The following day seven people worked packaging and filling orders. The new order sheet using numbers instead of names worked very well reducing some of the steps in the process.

This year we offered scionwood in 92 varieties. There were 81 orders filled with 1227 scions. They were shipped to 27 different states with Massachusetts and New York tying for the most orders with eight each. Washington and Maine had six orders each.

We are now considering the quickest methods to establish this valuable old orchard on our own land. At best it will take several years to grow trees large enough to cut the large number of scions needed to carry on this ever increasing program.

Respectfully submitted,
Marjorie Lodding, Chairman
Preservation Orchard Committee

REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The feasibility study by Newtel Associates for the Worcester County Horticultural Society's fund drive will be completed January 20, 1986. A detailed report will be sent to all Trustees. The results are very positive.

It is my sincere hope that many of you will get involved in the various fundraising activities. With your help, we can share in the realization of a new concept in horticulture and a new home at Tower Hill.

Respectfully submitted,
Hope H. Spear, Chairman
Development Committee

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Horticultural Society each year awards a scholarship to a student who is registered in an established course of study relating to horticulture. The student is chosen from any number of applicants and the function of the Scholarship Committee is to select that person based on the applicant's 1) interest in horticulture; 2) sincerity of purpose; 3) financial need; and 4) scholastic record.

The Committee convened on June 20th and first discussed ways to broaden interest in the scholarship award. In view of this we voted to extend the area in which students legally reside from Worcester County to all of New England. We also hoped that more members would contribute to the scholarship fund in order to increase the principal so we are able to award the same amount each year.

There were three very good applicants and the Committee decided not to interview them because we unanimously chose Cynthia Brown of Westboro as our scholarship candidate. One thousand dollars was sent to the University of Edinburgh in Scotland where Cindy is seeking a certificate in landscape studies.

Cindy is a well-rounded student whose two loves are art/design and horticulture. She graduated from Smith College in 1983. All of us on the Committee were convinced, through Cindy's references and past work experiences, that she is indeed very serious about studying horticulture and she is very determined to financially put herself through graduate school. Not only has she been a volunteer at Horticultural Hall, but she has had internships with Arnold Arboretum, Heritage Plantation in Sandwich, and Chicago Botanic Garden. She has also worked as a horticultural consultant for Bigelow Nurseries, Beals and Thomas, Inc., and has been an instructor with the Portland, Maine Outward Bound Association.

This fall we received a very enthusiastic and warm thank-you note from Cindy. She writes that she is learning not only about soils, surveying, and the surrounding countryside, but also about the fourteen students in her class who come from such diverse places as England, Ireland, Venezuela, Egypt and Canada. She concludes, "Such a wealth of experience and new ideas; we learn a lot from each other. Again, my sincerest thanks for your gracious contribution to my further education. I look forward to sharing my garden slides with you upon my return to Massachusetts."

I think we should definitely take Cindy up on her offer as this could be a most interesting program for Society members and a great chance to see our investment at work.

Respectfully submitted,
Gale Y. Morgan, Chairman
Scholarship Committee

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society

After careful consideration, the Nominating Committee has agreed to nominate the following individuals for the office designated for 1986:

For Vice President:	Richard Dearborn
For Trustees:	
Term Ending 1987:	Isabel Arms
Term Ending 1988:	Gladys Bozenhard
Term Ending 1989:	Brian Fox Dorothy Cunningham John Mirick Rebecca Moore Anita Hooker Joyce Fuller
For Honorary Trustee:	Bernice Heald
For Nominating Committee:	Rebecca Moore, Chairman Tammy Butler Richard Dearborn

Respectfully submitted,
Duane T. Sargisson, Chairman
Nominating Committee

1985 ANNUAL MEETING

January 17, 1986
AGENDA

Call to Order	Philip C. Beals, President
Secretary's Report	Elizabeth O. Dean
Treasurer's Report	Henry L. Rudio
Reports of Committees	
Membership	Isabel Arms
Exhibitions	Paul Trudeau
Library	Dorothy Cunningham
Building	Cushing Bozenhard
By-Laws	John Mirick
Preservation Orchard	Marjorie Lodding
Scholarship	Gale Morgan
Finance	Robert Florsheim
Sale of Building	Richard Dearborn
Development	Hope Spear
Nominating	Duane Sargisson
Adjorn	

Program: Tower Hill – A Conclusion and Beginning

Speaker: John W. Trexler, Executive Director

TOWER HILL FARM

Photo by B.A. King

OUR FUTURE HOME

PRESIDENTS

OF

THE WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

JOHN GREEN	1840-1844
ISAAC DAVIS	1844-1848
JOHN MILTON EARLE	1848-1851
STEPHEN SALISBURY, 2ND	1851-1857
DANIEL WALDO LINCOLN	1857-1860
ALEXANDER H. BULLOCK	1860-1863
GEORGE JAQUES	1863-1864
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FRANCIS H. DEWEY	1867-1871
GEORGE W. RICHARDSON	1871-1872
GEORGE E. FRANCIS	1872-1874
OBADIAH B. HADWEN	1875-1876
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STEPHEN SALISBURY, 3RD	1879-1880
FRANCIS H. DEWEY	1881-1888
HENRY L. PARKER	1888-1895
OBADIAH B. HADWEN	1895-1907
GEORGE CALVIN RICE	1908-1909
EDWARD W. BREED	1910-1915
ARTHUR E. HARTSHORN	1916-1917
CHARLES GREENWOOD	1918-1919
LEONARD C. MIDGLEY	1920-1921
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FREDERICK D. BROWN	1968-1971
PALMER W. BIGELOW, JR.	1972-1974
PAUL E. ROGERS	1975-1978
H. WAITE HURLBURT	1979-1983
CUSHING C. BOZENHARD	1-4/ 1984
PHILIP C. BEALS	5/1984-

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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1986

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Henry Rudio

Executive Director
John Trexler

Educational Coordinator
Karen Probst

Educational Assistant (July -)
Gail Keleher

Administrative Assistant
Janice Irwin

Librarian
Anita Volungis (January - February)
Julie O'Shea (April -)

Grounds Manager
Darrell Probst (June -)

Trustees

1987	1988	1989
Karl Briel	George Bernardin	Brian Fox
John Jeppson	Thomas Buchter	Dorothy Cunningham
John Koning	Gladys Bozenhard	John Mirick
Isabel Arms	Betty Gifford	Rebecca Moore
Paul Trudeau	Catherine Hodgson	Anita Hooker
Cushing Bozenhard	Gale Morgan	Joyce Fuller

Honorary Trustees

Arnold Banning	Fayre Nason
Bernice Heald	Helen Stoddard
H. Waite Hurlburt	Leslie Winter

COMMITTEES 1986

Nominating Committee

Rebecca Moore, Chr.
Tammy Butler
Richard Dearborn

Building Committee

Cushing Bozenhard, Chr.
Brian Fox
Rebecca Moore
William Whipple

By-Laws Committee

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George Bernardin
Rebecca Moore

Exhibitions Committee

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Isabel Lane
Matthew Mattus
Linda Milton
Margaret Mirick
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Mary Owen
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Plant Collections Committee

Thomas Buchter, Chr.
David Longland
Susan Storer
Kerry Walter
Roger Mezitt

Preservation Orchard Committee

Gladys Bozenhard, Chr.
Marjorie Lodding
David Firmin
Fayre Nason
Jane Oliver
Arthur O'Mara
Stephanie Wondolowski

Scholarship Committee

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Sally Pettit
Catherine Belliveau

Master Plan Committee

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Isabel Arms
Cushing Bozenhard
Joyce Fuller
Catherine Hodgson
Anita Hooker
John Koning
Hope Spear
Paul Trudeau

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Ann Lincoln
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Olive Prunier
Roberta Theriault
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Library Committee

Dorothy Cunningham, Chr.
Mary Barroll
Robert Florsheim
Julie O'Shea

Finance Committee

Robert Florsheim, Chr.
John Mirick
David Hall
Henry Rudio

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

In lieu of an Annual Report the following is the text of a letter that was sent to life members by the President, Philip C. Beals.

Dear Life Member:

Never in the history of the Worceter County Horticultural Society has there been a year of such change, growth and development. On April 1, the Society acquired legal ownership of Tower Hill Farm, 130 magnificent acres in Boylston. Soon thereafter there was a flurry of activity to prepare the farmhouse for the transfer of the office from Worcester to Boylston. On August 4 the staff was settled, and Tower Hill was open and ready to receive visitors.

In the interim, a great deal of time and energy went into the sale of Horticultural Hall. After several months of negotiations with a number of potential buyers, the decision was made to sell to the Worcester Historical Museum. A happy decision, indeed, for this will keep 30 Elm Street within the cultural community of Worcester.

On August 20, Environmental Planning and Design of Pittsburgh began the year-long process of Master Planning the garden, and on September 17, the Trustees officially named the Society's new headquarters "Tower Hill Botanic Garden".

We are well on our way to creating a beautiful living educational facility — especially with the increasing success of the $2.5 million capital fund drive which will support early phases of development.

I know that many of you have pledged to the Tower Hill Fund drive, for which I thank you very much. The Society, however, as can be expected, will have increased operating expenses. I hope you can contribute a year-end gift to help secure the success of the Society in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Philip C. Beals
President

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

As evidenced by these Transactions, the year 1986 was one of growth and change for the Horticultural Society. There were land purchases and sale of land, renovations, moving, solid financial investment and initiation of the Master Planning process.

To manage this growth and change, and communicate our activities to the membership and general public, additions and changes were needed within the professional staff.

Following the resignation of librarian, Anita Volungis, early in April, Julie O'Shea was hired to manage the Society's collection of books and journals. On June 9th, Darrell Probst began working as Grounds Manager at Tower Hill. The Society's custodian position had been eliminated, and this new position was created to encompass the various responsibilities and the change in emphasis which resulted from our acquisition of Tower Hill.

Because of our expanded educational offerings and the new demands of the Tower Hill property, the duties of Educational Coordinator, performed by Karen Probst, became too much for one person to handle. On July 14, Gail Keleher filled the newly created position of Educational Assistant

The newly expanded staff is proving to be an efficient and cooperative blend of talent, and the Society is indeed fortunate to have the loyalty and expertise of these fine professionals.

Respectfully submitted,
John W. Trexler
Executive Director

REPORT OF THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

During 1986 the sale of Horticultural Hall occupied most of the Committee's time.

In addition, the Committee recommended that the Society return to the original "STATEMENT OF PURPOSE" which reads as follows:

> "The Society shall be operated as an educational organization for the purpose of advancing the science, and encouraging and improving the practice of, horticulture."

They also proposed the following objectives:

1. To establish a botanic garden of the highest educational and horticultural quality at Tower Hill, displaying superior woody and herbaceous plants suited to onsite conditions, and to develop, test, introduce and disseminate selected taxa.
2. To develop and maintain the proper facilities necessary to keep the garden open to the public.
3. To provide educational services to the public, students and professionals in the fields of horticulture and related subjects.
4. To maintain a library open to the public consistent with the objectives of the Society.
5. To provide scholarships and recognition for students of horticulture and to give awards for horticultural excellence to gardeners and exhibitors.
6. To promote appreciation for horticulture in its relationship to wildlife, ecology, and other aspects of the natural environment.
7. To provide services requiring horticultural or botanical expertise to public and private institutions.
8. To cooperate with horticultural and botanical institutions, plant societies and related organizations.

Respectfully submitted,
John Mirick, Chairman
By-Laws Committee

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The membership of the committee remained the same for the third year. Twelve meetings were held during 1986.

At the beginning of the fiscal year, the Society's total investable funds amounted to $486,000. By the end of the fiscal year these funds had increased to $812,000, due to net cash inflows from the purchase and sale of properties, contributions, portfolio appreciation and investment income.

Portfolio appreciation amounted to approximately $53,700, dividends were $10,300 and interest income was $15,000; these three items together totaling approximately $79,000. About 75% of our funds were invested in equities during the year, until September 11, on which day we moved entirely into a money-market fund. Because we were invested in common stocks for only a portion of the year, and because of several significant inflows of funds, it was difficult to calculate a return. However, we estimate that after appropriate time-weighting, our total annualized rate of return on the equity portion was 24.7%. We re-entered the equity market on November 25, increased our positions on December 12 and January 9, and are currently 70% invested in blue-chip common stocks. The remaining 30% is in a money-market fund.

Our investable funds currently total approximately $1,350,000, the significant increase since November 30 being due primarily to large cash inflows from contributions to our Capital fund.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert F. Florsheim, Chairman
Finance Committee

Auditor's Report

Worcester County Horticultural Society
Tower Hill Road
Boylston, Massachusetts

I have examined the balance sheet of the Worcester County Horticultural Society as of November 30, 1986 and the related statements of income and expenditures and fund balances for the year then ended, all prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, such financial statements referred to above present fairly the financial position of the Worcester County Horticultural Society at November 30, 1986 and the results of its operation for the year then ended, in conformity with the basis of accounting described in the summary of significant accounting policies.

Kleber A. Campbell 3rd
Certified Public Accountant

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

BALANCE SHEET

November 30, 1986

CURRENT FUNDS		
Assets:		
Unrestricted		
Cash	$ 35,291	
Savings and temporary cash investments	413,582	$ 448,873
Restricted		28,865
Temporary cash investments		
Total assets		477,738
Liabilities:		
Unrestricted		
Employees' withholdings	$ 3,983	
Restricted		
Unexpended gifts and income	28,865	
Total liabilities		$ 32,848
Fund balance		444,890
Total liabilities and fund balance		$ 477,738
LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FUND		
Assets:		
Land, building and equipment	$ 844,989	
Less - Accumulated depreciation	43,951	$ 801,038
Deposit on equipment		400
Due from Capital Campaign Fund		728,829
Total assets		$1,530,267
Liabilities:		
Due to Funds Functioning as Endowment	$ 728,829	
Total liabilities		$ 728,829
Fund balance		801,438
Total liabilities and fund balance		$1,530,267
ENDOWMENT FUNDS		
Assets:		$ 56,428
Temporary cash investment		
Total assets		$ 56,428
Fund balance		$ 56,428
FUNDS FUNCTIONING AS ENDOWMENT		
Assets:		
Temporary cash investments	$ 321,171	
Due from Land, Building and Equipment Fund	728,829	
Total assets		$1,050,000
Fund balance		$1,050,000
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND		
Liabilities:		
Account payable	$ 24,494	
Due to Land, Building and Equipment Fund	728,829	
Total liabilities		$ 753,383
Fund balance (deficit)		(753,323)
Total liabilities and fund balance		$ 0

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES
AND FUND BALANCES
For the Year ended November 30, 1986

CURRENT FUNDS

Income:		
Contributions	$ 49,790	
Membership dues	21,837	
Rental of Horticultural Hall	1,100	
Dividends and interest:		
Unrestricted	20,672	
Restricted	5,607	
Total income		$ 99,006
Expenditures:		
Salaries	98,256	
Payroll taxes	6,824	
Employee benefits	2,872	
Library services	5,125	
Professional fees	1,917	
Office supplies and expense	2,702	
Newsletter and general printing	3,558	
Postage	2,412	
Telephone	3,481	
Occupancy	29,839	
Travel, conferences, seminars	867	
Motor vehicle expense	536	
Miscellaneous expense	1,250	
Total expenditures		159,639
		(60,633)
Net income from auxiliary activities		16,157
		(44,476)
Other income (charges):		
Gain on sale of securities - net	132,201	
Restricted income reinvested	(78)	
Increase in unexpended restricted gifts and income	(1,519)	130,604
Excess of income over expenditures and charges		86,128
Fund balance:		
December 1, 1985		358,762
November 30, 1986		$ 444,890

LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FUND		
Fund balance, December 1, 1985		$ 247,116
Gain on sale of 30 Elm Street property		791,659
Additions purchased from Capital Campaign Fund		791,637
Depreciation for the year		(16,382)
30 Elm Street sale expenses paid by Capital Campaign Fund		37,408
Sale proceeds from 30 Elm Street sale transferred to Funds Functioning as Endowment		(1,050,000)
Fund balance, November 30, 1986		$ 801,438
ENDOWMENT FUNDS		
Additions:		
Harvie Channin Educational Fund		$ 87
Warren Higgins Fund		1,000
Scholarship Fund		25
Restricted income added to principal		78
Total additions		1,190
Fund balances:		
December 1, 1985		55,238
November 30, 1986		$ 56,428
FUNDS FUNCTIONING AS ENDOWMENT		
Transfer from Land, Building and Equipment Fund		$1,050,000
Fund balance, November 30, 1986		$1,050,000
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND		
Additions:		
Contributions	$ 204,105	
Plant sale	1,409	$ 205,514
Fundraising expenses		129,792
		75,722
Purchases for Land, Building and Equipment Fund		(791,637)
Expenses of sale — 30 Elm Street property		(37,408)
Fund balance (deficit), November 30, 1986		$(753,323)

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

November 30, 1986

	Principal Amount	Earnings For Year	Earnings Restricted For
Francis Henshaw Dewey Fund	1,000	101	Books for library
William Eames Fund	500	50	Prizes
Frederick A. Blake Fund	1,000	101	Prizes
Edwin Draper Fund	300	30	Prizes
Miss Frances Clary Morse Fund	500	50	Prizes
Miss Lucy M. Coulson Fund	1,000	101	Prizes
G.A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	101	Prizes
Chandler Bullock Fund	1,000	101	Prizes
Miss Elizabeth R. Bishop Fund	500	50	Prizes
Samuel T. and Anna N.W. Hobbs Fund	5,000	503	Children's interests
Edwin Winslow Lincoln Fund	1,000	101	Unrestricted
Cook-Davey Fund	600	60	New fruits, scholarships
Elouise S. Knight Memorial Fund	3,500	351	Prizes - children
Gerald Fales Memorial Fund	1,000	101	Prizes
Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	101	Prizes
George B. Slater Fund	470	47	Prizes
Thayer Fund	2,000	201	Prizes
Hadwen Fund	1,000	101	Unrestricted
National Association of Gardeners Fund	1,426	141	Scholarships ($113) add to principal ($28)
Harvie Channin Educational Fund	2,557	248	Scholarships ($198) add to principal ($28)
Mrs. Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	101	Prizes
Myron F. Converse Memorial Fund	10,000	1,004	Prizes ($502) and library ($502)
Children's Garden Fund	500	50	Children's garden
Warren Higgins Fund	4,000	351	Scholarships
Edwin W. Proctor Fund	10,000	1,004	Scholarships ($502) and library ($502)
Scholarship Fund	75	5	Scholarships
Mend-A-Book Fund	3,500	351	Restoration of library materials
Bernice B. Heald Fund	1,000	101	Prizes
Total funds	$ 56,428		
Total earnings		$ 5,607	

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of the financial statement.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES
AND NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Year ended November 30, 1986

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

BASIS OF PRESENTATION — The financial statements have been prepared using the cash basis of accounting. As a result they do not reflect accrued income, prepaid expenses, accounts payable or accrued expenses.

LAND, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT — Fixed assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives of 33 1/3 years for building, 5 to 15 years for equipment and 5 years for the vehicle.

Notes to Financial Statements

CURRENT FUNDS — On November 27, 1986 the Society reinvested $262,550 into marketable securities thru Shearson Lehman Bros. These transactions were recorded on the Society's books and records as of the payment date which was December 3, 1986.

LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT — On April 1, 1986 the Society purchased property on Tower Hill Road, Boylston, Massachusetts, as its new home for $675,000. The land and building at 30 Elm Street, Worcester, Massachusetts, was then sold to the Worcester Historical Museum on August 15, 1986 for $1,050,000.

On March 4, 1987 two acres of land, contiguous to the Tower Hill property and fronting on French Drive, were purchased for $30,000.

At November 30, 1986 the asset accounts consisted of:

	Basis	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Book Value
Land	$ 674,682		$ 674,682
Buildings	100,408	1,506	98,902
Equipment	58,624	34,553	24,071
Motor vehicle	11,275	7,892	3,383
	$ 844,989	$ 43,951	$ 801,038

ENDOWMENT AND RESTRICTED FUNDS — On April 2, 1986 the Society Trustees returned the $35,000 borrowed from the Endowment and Restricted Fund assets as a purchase deposit on the Tower Hill property. Income was credited to these funds for the term of the borrowing at the same rate as earned by the remaining assets.

FUNDS FUNCTIONING AS ENDOWMENT — On September 17, 1986 the Trustees voted that the proceeds from the sale of the 30 Elm Street property ($1,050,000) be used to establish a fund functioning as endowment. The income shall be available for the Society's operating budget and any unexpended income is to be added to principal annually. Pending the receipt of capital campaign funds, the sale proceeds have been used temporarily to finance the acquisition of and transition to Tower Hill.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND — In the spring of 1986 a capital fund campaign was undertaken with a target of $2,500,000. Funds raised will be used to defray the cost of and expenses incurred in the acquisition of the Tower Hill property and for its future development. At November 30, 1986 pledges had been received totalling $2,116,444. Pledge payments received thru February 28, 1987 were approximately $875,000.

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

This was the year of our move from Worcester to Tower Hill in Boylston. In preparing the farmhouse for occupancy by the staff, the following work was completed:

1. The house was painted inside and outside and generally restored to appropriate early American paint colors and border papers under the direction of Committee member Rebecca Moore. The final result was a beautiful restoration of this property. All painting was done by Bowditch and Marinelli of Worcester.

2. Following the completion of the painting in late spring, storm windows were installed in all openings by Modern Manufacturing of Worcester.

3. We brought new underground electrical service into the building to provide the increased power capacity for business machines, additional lighting, particularly in the cellar, and some limited future needs. The electrical contractor was San Bon (Frank Bonzic).

4. Some grounds work was done, particularly regrading and expansion of the driveway and parking area; the shed was demolished and removed; and the barn was thoroughly cleaned of years of accumulated debris and lumber.

5. Measured drawings were made of the farmhouse before renovations were begun and also for the barn. These were prepared by Stuart Thurston of Boylston.

Respectfully submitted,
Cushing Bozenhard, Chairman
Building Committee

REPORT OF THE MASTER PLANNING COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

This committee was organized in January of 1986. Its basic charge was to develop and execute a process for selection of a professional landscape design firm to prepare a master plan for Tower Hill. The initial work was to develop parameters of what the master plan itself should include. Generally speaking, the committee felt that the master plan should address the overall issues regarding the infrastructure of the site, including access and service roads, parking, walkways and trails, building sites, propagation and service areas, as well as locations for display gardens and orchards. After developing the concept of the master plan requirements, the committee took steps to insure that our interest in receiving proposals was communicated to outstanding landscape design firms throughout the country. The committee also developed a number of criteria against which each of the prospective firms would be judged.

We met in early April to review written proposals from seventeen firms and to select ten candidates for personal interviews. After these interviews in late April, two finalists were selected for review by the Board of Trustees. The trustees met on May 22 and selected Environmental Planning & Design of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to undertake the master plan project.

Although excellent proposals were received from a number of highly qualified firms, the committee and the trustees were particularly impressed with the depth of EPD's organization, its sensitivity to our priorities, and its extensive past experience with other botanic gardens, including the Atlanta Botanical Garden, the Chicago Botanic Garden, the Holden Arboretum in Mentor, Ohio, the Missouri Botanical Garden, and the University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. No other landscape design firm that was considered had such extensive experience in planning botanic gardens, and the trustees felt that the rich experience of this organization would be a great "plus" in the development of an outstanding master plan for Tower Hill.

The Master Planning Committee later reconvened to review the work plan and contractual arrangements for the project. The project is now well under way with completion scheduled for the summer of 1987. The work plan calls for a number of progress reviews with the committee and trustees. In addition, the Master Planning Committee has met to refine some of our plans for the new site and to develop an expanded statement of purpose for the Society at Tower Hill. The committee expects to work closely with Environmental Planning and Design in the coming months to assure that we have the very best possible master plan for Tower Hill for the years ahead.

Respectfully submitted,
George F. Bernardin, Chairman
Master Planning Committee

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Membership Committee has been feeling its way from birth in early April 1986 to a full-grown committee of eighteen members from Worcester and nine area communities.

We began with a morning coffee in April to which we invited interested people from our own membership and others who lived in the surrounding county towns. We asked them if they would be willing to publicize Tower Hill activities and seek new members in their areas. As a committee we also discussed and made membership decisions. In addition we telephoned delinquent members and achieved a good renewal success.

The Committee met at Tower Hill in May, June and September. In October several members helped staff the office during the open house weekends. A meeting is planned in late January, 1987, to discuss the question of membership dues and benefits and make a recommendation to the Trustees for their implementation.

Respectfully submitted,
Isabel Arms, Co-Chairman
Elizabeth O. Dean, Co-Chairman
Membership Committee

MEMBERSHIP 1986

During 1986, 272 members joined the Society, 117 failed to renew, and 11 were lost by death.
The following are the new members of 1986:

INDIVIDUAL

Eva Abramson
Flora M. Adams
Mrs. Ralph Adams
Cynthia Akerson
Ruth P. Amato
Margaret M. Amberson
Barbara Anderson
Joanne Augustino
Elizabeth W. Ayres
Mrs. Francis Bailey
David W. Baldwin
Barbara E. Bardsley
Ann Beringer
Nancy R. Best
Ruth M. Best
Robert M. Boehme
Beatric C. Bourassa
Lee Bourget
Mrs. Leo Bouthillier
Caroline Brooks
Elizabeth L. Bullock
Gail Butler
Barbara M. Carlson
Debbie Densmore Cary
Dondy Chysna
James M. Cooney
Sally Cormier
Dorothy Coughlin
Justina Daley
E. Dexter Davis
Peter Delaney
Marie DeMember
Margaret L. Derry
Kathleen Doyle
Robert Duffy
Loretta Dunn
Norman Eggert
Janet E. Esip
Joan D. Filsinger
Susan Finnegan
Charlene Franz
Julie Frederiksen
Kathleen S. Freeland
Pernell Gerber
Elaine Gilgis
Ann Goddard
Brian Goslow
Mrs. Clifford Granger
Pauline C. Graustein
Leo Gregoire
Raymond Gregoire
Kathleen Grimley
Susan B. Grover
Forrest W. Haffermehl
Barbara J. Harlow
Michelle Harlow
Halton E. Hastings
Deborah Hatch
Mrs. P.B. Heald
Mrs. Robert Hoisington
Brenda Hollands
Paul Holms
Katherine T. Hutchins
Mrs. Thomas P. Imse
Susan James
Clara Kenedek
Mrs. Owen Kennedy, Jr.
Valerie Kennedy
Anthony W. Kilinskas
Gertrude S. Knight
Peter Kraskouskas
Robert E. LaFontaine
Shirley Lamoureaux
Nancy C. Landers
Clare K. Landry
L. Paul Langlois
M.V. Latinen
Mary L. Lavergne
Diane M. Lebel
Katherine M. LeBlanc
Paula L. Less
Virginia L. Lindsay
Georgia Howe MacRae
Kathleen Marble
Robert K. Massey
W. David McAuliffe
Dorothy G. McInnes
Doris J. Mittasch
Frank Morin
Tom O'Brien
Christine Ohristo
Mrs. Edwin T. Olson
Janet M. O'Neil
Shirley A. Osak
Kathleen Parker
Dawn Pavone
Barbara W. Payson
Katherine Perkins
Tom Phillips
Barbara A. Pinter
Edward M. Powers
Beverly A. Plucinski
Bonnie M. Prescott
Doris Primmer
Janice M. Rea
David A. Reynard
Judy Rice
Mrs. Robert A. Rice
Walter P. Rice
Lois I. Robbie
Mrs. Frank Rosenthal
Laurence Ross
Lydia Ruel
Judith A. Russel
Johanna M. Sand
Louis Scanlon
Merton C. Scott
Nancy Shaner
Madeline A. Shea
Yvette K. Smith
Eva Snyder
Joseph A. Softens
Lois B. Stevens
Marjorie H. Stillman
Lillian Stockbridge
Beth Stone
William N. Stone
Christine Ann Sullivan
Carla Szymanski
Roberta Rivers Theriault
Mrs. John F. Tidman
Dorothy C. Tracy
Winnifred G. Tracy
Taimi R. Van Buren
Katherine Van Cura
Carl R. Varnum, Jr.
D. Jean Waldron
Irene Westfall
Philip F. Wettengel
Isabel Wheat
Debbie White
Eva M. White
Kathy Wiinikka
Lorraine Williams
Jane M. Wilson
Marie M. Wirt
Denise M. Worden
Althea Yates
Myrtle D. Young
Alice A. Yurkenas
Arlene Zemaitis
Eleanor Zwicker

FAMILY

S. Bennett & M. Ahern
Francis & Sharon Alex
Mr. & Mrs. John S. Allen, III
Patricia Amorelli
Anna & Nicholas Argento
Mr. & Mrs. Philip J. Argento
Bill and Linda Ball
Mr. & Mrs. David G. Barlow
Mr. & Mrs. Delwyn Barnes
Mr. & Mrs. H. R. Barry
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bazemore
Mr. & Mrs. Ross Beales, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Bean
Brian & Catherine Belliveau
Edward & Bettina Bemis
Ron and LuAnn Benoit
Walter Bickford
Mr. & Mrs. J. Ronald Bigelow
Seth & Tina Bilazarian
Burton & Catherine Bjorn
Mr. & Mrs. Robert W. Boyden
David & Elizabeth Brown
Dr. & Mrs. Michael Burday
Robert & Nancy Burgess
Mr. & Mrs. Maynard Burkhardt
Mr. & Mrs. Irving Carter
Lyn Castriotta
Gladys Chan
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. E. Chase, Jr.
Joanne D. Cox
Mr. & Mrs. E. Crowell-Meleski
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Curran
Mr. & Mrs. Robert S. Daley
Paul & Sharon Davis
Mr. & Mrs. C.D. Decker
Mr. & Mrs. Lee DeNike
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Dillard
Arthur & Mary Dublin
Raymond & Helen Duffy
Alex J. Dymek, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Leo Evangelista
Mr. & Mrs. Luke Foley
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Gardner
Mr. & MRs. Wyatt Garfield
Mr. & Mrs. J.M. Goodnow, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Alfred E. Green
Jean Huey Gustafson
Mr. & Mrs. Robert L. Hager
Mr. & Mrs. Robert E. Hale
Charles & Joanne Hall
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Hamilton
Mr. & Mrs. James B. Hanshaw
Mr. & Mrs. Waino Himottu
Kevin & Veronica Howley
Laverne & Ray Jacobus
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Jordan
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Kennedy
Katherine & Bronislus Kush
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Labaire
Mr. & Mrs. Edwin A. Lahti
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lambert
Joan Lampshire
Mr. & Mrs. Frank N. Langs
Mr. & Mrs. Alan K. Marble
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Mastey
Mr. & Mrs. George McClelland
Mr. & Mrs. Wallace Meigs
Mr. & Mrs. C.A. Peairs
Mr. & Mrs. John W. Peterson
Ronald & Elizabeth Prouty
Mr. & Mrs. Louis L. Prunier
Mr. & Mrs. Richard L. Pyle
Irving Rabb
Dr. & Mrs. Frank Reale
Mr. & Mrs. David Remington
Ralph & Lucille Richards
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Robbins
Henry & Theresa Rodowicz
Mr. & Mrs. Henry Sawin
Jan Sacks & Martin Schafer
Mr. & Mrs. Richard B. Smith
Mr. & Mrs. George A. Stowe
Edward & Elaine Sullivan
John & Pamela Sullivan
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Sundstrom
Allen B. Sylvester
Patrick & Marie Taylor
Mr. & Mrs. Hugo Tobiesen
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Traina
Mark & Jeri Tvaronas
N.A. Vaillancourt
Virginia Varney
Mr. & Mrs. Francis Walsh, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Warfield
Mr. & Mrs. Rogert Wellington, Jr.
John & Virginia White
Elizabeth & Timothy Wilder
Dr. & Mrs. Merrill K. Wolf
Peter & Barbara Wyatt

ASSOCIATE

Mr. & Mrs. Donald Blomquist
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GROUP

Auburn Woman's Club
Chaffins Woman's Club
Grafton Garden Club
Guild of Our Lady of Summit
Laurelwood Garden Club
Millbury Woman's Club

The following members passed away during 1986:

Edwin C. Bagley
Mrs. Roger Bogosian
J. Edmond Harris
Marjorie Hastings
Eliza Hess
Irwin H. Huff
Mrs. Albert R. Jones, Jr.
Burlen Mahn
Ruth E. Peterson
Wanda Sandberg
Mrs. Warren D. Tucker

IN MEMORIAM

Wanda Sandberg

Wanda Sandberg passed away in early 1986 after a short illness. For 26 years as a volunteer, and later as an employee, Wanda gave unselfishly of her time and talent. From 1959 to 1979, she worked as Assistant to Fayre Nason, the Society's librarian and secretary. Wanda spent many hours in preparation for flower shows and other Society programs. After Fayre's retirement in 1979, Wanda took on the librarian's responsibilities and managed the entire collection until her retirement in December 1985. The great accomplishment of her tenure with the Society was a cataloguing of all 7000 books in the collection, a project undertaken in conjunction with the Massachusetts Horticultural Society. Wanda's loyalty and cheerful disposition will will always be a treasured memory.

Eliza Hess

In late December Eliza Hess, one of the Society's most devoted members, passed away. Eliza's consistent voluntary efforts for the Society in the 1960's and early 70's epitomized the kind of unselfish support an organization like ours needs to improve and grow. Poor health ended her voluntary support several years ago.

Eliza's contributions were many and varied. In 1967 she wrote a wonderful history of the Society entitled **"Builded for the Future"** which commemorated the Society's 125th birthday. For several years she organized and taught courses on botany focusing on specific genera of plants. Eliza wanted to expose people to the great variety within the plant world. This desire gave birth to the "What's In Bloom' display in the library at 30 Elm Street. Every week during the growing season she profiled a different plant along with its vital statistics.

Such was her desire to dispense gardening information that for a period in the 60's when there was a hiatus in information given out by the Cooperative Extension, Eliza organized and trained volunteers to answer the questions of anxious gardeners telephoning Horticultural Hall.

Eliza was also a frequent guest on the WTAG "Julie and Andy Show". She appeared under the pseudonym of "Pete Moss" and calmed the minds of many an insecure gardener. Eliza also informed her large radio audience of the flower shows and programs offered by the Society.

Eliza served as Vice President of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and President of the Worcester Garden Club. She contributed much to each of these organizations. Eliza's firm beliefs and vocal opinions made her a trustworthy and undaunted supporter of the Horticultural Society.

REPORT OF THE PLANT COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Plant Collections Committee had its first meeting in 1986 and is comprised of professional people active in managing plant collections. The goal of the Committee is to establish a discipline for the acquisition and management of the plant collection at Tower Hill. Three groups of plants have been identified for display.

Ornamental: Plants for aesthetic displays
Economic: Plants for food production
Indigenous: Plants found growing naturally at Tower Hill

Criteria for acquisition and management of each group will be established for the selection of plants to be grown and displayed at Tower Hill. In 1987 we hope to complete the accessions and management policy.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Buchter, Chairman
Plant Collections Committee

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The year 1986 was one of transition for the library, both literally and figuratively. During May the old and rare books from the Stack Room were packed and prepared for storage under climate-controlled conditions in the basement at Tower Hill. Damaged books were wrapped individually in acid-free tissue paper, annotated, and put into special storage boxes where they await funds for restoration. Shelving was ordered for the new library.

The library officially closed from June 1 to September 1 to allow time for the move. On June 5 the entire circulating collection was packed with the aid of stalwart volunteers. It was transported intact to Tower Hill where the process of unpacking and reorganizing began. By September 1 the library was again operating at full capacity.

The preservation of our antique books continued with the restoration of five volumes under a grant of $1800 from the Massachusetts Arts Lottery. A portion of the grant was also used to buy acid-free phase boxes to store many of our 19th-century horticultural journals. In addition, a grant of $1538 was obtained from the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities to restore the oil portraits of George Frisbee Hoar, Obadiah Hadwen, Myron Converse, and Dr. John Green. This work has been completed and the portraits are currently on view at Tower Hill.

Forty-four new books covering a broad spectrum of gardening topics were added to the circulating collection during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie O'Shea
Librarian

REPORT OF THE EXHIBITIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

1986 saw three flower shows staged by the Worcester County Horticultural Society. The Exhibitions Committee was responsible for the coordination and execution of these shows with assistance from volunteers and the WCHS staff. In the two smaller shows, the Committee cooperated with the individual sponsoring organizations to construct and promote the shows.

The 1986 Spring Show held February 27 - March 2 was the last of its kind to be held at Horticultural Hall. The weather co-operated and the show was a great success attracting almost 8000 visitors and realizing a profit of $20,000. The WCHS cooperated with the New England Lawn and Garden Expo held simultaneously at the Centrum. A combined discount ticket was offered for both shows, a shuttle bus courtesy of Fox Bus Lines carried visitors between shows, and cooperative advertising paved the way for the merger of the two shows at the Centrum in 1987. Robert Thompson of WBGH's "Victory Garden" program answered questions and lectured to visitors at the Centrum beside an educational vegetable garden exhibit staged by WCHS staff and volunteers.

The Lily and Garden Show was held by the New England Regional Lily Group on July 16-17 at the Boylston Town House. A larger than average crowd of 465 visitors attended the two-day show amidst torrents of rain. The Town House provided a smaller, brighter, more intimate setting for this colorful summer show. Lilies and other harvests from the mid-summer garden were displayed by both amateurs and professionals.

'A Harvest of Color,' an invitational show of floral design, was staged cooperatively with the Worcester Historical Museum at the Salisbury Mansion on October 24-26. Thirty-three individuals representing fifteen central Massachusetts garden clubs staged exhibits for 575 visitors. A great effort was made to encourage first-time exhibitors to enter this show.

Each show owes its success to a hardworking group of volunteers, staff and committee members. The support of the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture whose annual contributions cover a substantial portion of premium expenses should not go unmentioned. The Department is pleased with our plans for 1987 and has doubled its contribution to $10,000 for the 1987 Worcester Spring Flower Show which will be held in the Exhibition Hall portion of the Centrum in Worcester. The show will join the New England Lawn and Garden Expo which will occupy the Arena. Our new location promises increased exhibit space, more opportunities for exhibitors, greater visitation and many new possibilities for the Society to bring horticulture into the understanding of the general public as we enter this new phase of development.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Probst, Member
Exhibitions Committee

1986 FLOWER SHOW AWARD WINNERS

SPRING FLOWER SHOW:

The Silver Tray of the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture for the most meritorious exhibit (landscape): Worcester County Landscape Gardeners Association

The Mrs. Robert Stoddard Silver Bowl for Excellence in Design & Consistency (landscape): R.L. Hobin Co.

The People's Choice (landscape): R.L. Hobin Co.

The Silver Medal of the Worcester County Horticultural Society for Suitability and Quality of Plant Material (landscape): R. L. Hobin Co.

The Louise Harrington Plaque for the Best Use of Uncommon Plant Material. Presented by Mr. Frank Harrington (landscape): Worcester County Landscape Gardeners Association

The Creativity Award of the Worcester County Horticultural Society (landscape): Oakland Landscape

The Bronze Medal of the Worcester County Horticultural Society for the most outstanding garden (landscape): Worcester Garden Club

The Sharfman's Silver Bowl (floral design): Hilltop Flower Shop

The Merrifield Award of the Worcester County Horticultural Society (educational): Louis Morton

The Silver Medal of the Worcester County Horticultural Society for a distinguished exhibit. The George B. Slater Fund (educational): Louis Morton

LILY SHOW:

Best Non-commercial Display of Lilies - Benoit Bowl: Hazel Nelson

Best in Show: Warren Summers

Lily Arrangement: Dorothy Potter

Lily Basket: Richard Jordan

Best Seedling - Elizabeth Bishop Medal: Warren Summers

Best of the Garden: Matthew Mattus

"A HARVEST OF COLOR" AT THE SALISBURY MANSION:
Chamber Challenge - A Mass Arrangement: Mrs. Laurie Dawes, Harvard Garden Club
Take a Closer Look - Miniatures: Mrs. Carlene Cory, Grafton Garden Club
Fresh from the Garden - Vegetables and Foliage: Mrs. Anita Hooker, Worcester Garden Club
Afternoon Tea and Roses - Table Setting: Mrs. Laurie Dawes, Harvard Garden Club
Chamber Challenge - Novice Class: Ms. Bonnie McCrae, Salisbury Mansion Docent
Flaming Foliage - Fireplace Designs: Mrs. Richard Mirick, Princeton Garden Club

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Jan. 12	2:00 pm	Library Open House
Feb. 8	10:00 am	Valentine Wreaths & Potpourri by Lynn Hartman, Hartman's Herb Farm
Mar. 13, 20 & 27	7:00 pm	Introduction to Home Landscaper Design & Maintenance by Eugenie Smith, landscape designer
Mar. 23	2:00 pm	Gardening In Containers: Indoors and Out (slide lecture) by Julie Morris, horticulturist at Blithewood Gardens, Bristol, RI
April 1	1:00 pm	April Fool's Fowl by Karen Probst, WCHS
April 13	2:00 pm	Shrub Rejuvenation Pruning by Darrell Probst, horticulturist
April 17	7:00 pm	Basic Vegetable Gardening by Sarah Bennett, Worcester County Extension Service horticulturist
April 26	10:00 am	Hadwen Arboretum Walk led by John Trexler, WCHS
April 26	1:00 pm	Shrub Rejuvenation Pruning by Darrell Probst, horticulturist
April 27	12:00 pm	Arbor Day at Elm Park, John Trexler and Karen Probst, WCHS
May 3	10:00 am	Spring Wildflower Adventure; walks led by Paul Martin Brown,
12:30 pm & 3:00 pm		botanist, at Tower Hill Farm
May 17	4:00 pm	Wildflower Adventure led by Paul Martin Brown, botanist
May 31	9:00 am	First Annual Plant Sale
June 28	1:00 pm	Wildflower Adventure led by Paul Martin Brown, botanist
July 2	10:00 am &7:00 pm	Vegetable Mania by Karen Probst, WCHS, and Sarah Bennett, Worcester County Extension Service horticulturist
July 12	9:00 am	Through The Eye of The Camera by Norm Eggert, professional photographer
July 31	10:00 am	A Passion for Perennials by Darrell Probst, WCHS (Also 7:00 pm)
Aug. 3	1:00 pm	Wildflower Adventure led by Paul Martin Brown, botanist
Aug. 6	10:00 am	Native Woodies for the Home Landscape by John Trexler, WCHS
Aug. 16	10:00 am	Lawn Renovation Demonstration by Jim Foster, landscaper
Aug. 27	10:00 am	Nature in Two Dimensions by Karen Probst, WCHS
Sept. 6	10:00 am	Harvest Wreath Workshop by Lynn Hartman, Hartman's Herb Farm
Sept. 13	9:00 am	Wildflower Adventure led by Paul Martin Brown, botanist
Sept. 27	9:00 am	Through The Eye of the Camera by Norm Eggert, professional photographer
Oct. 18	1:00 pm	Wildflower Adventure led by Paul Martin Brown, botanist
Oct. 20	7:00 pm	The Finer China (slide lecture) by Gail Keleher, WCHS
Oct. 29	7:30 pm	Bonsai: The Oriental Art of Dwarfing Trees by Shirley & Larry Student Lecture with accompanying workshops on November 5 & 6
Nov. 17	6:30 pm	Holiday Horticultural Hints by James Barry, Mass Xmas Tree Assn; Gail Keleher & Karen Probst WCHS; and Captain Hennigan from Worcester Fire Department
Nov. 24	10:00 am	Crispy Critters by Karen Probst, WCHS (Also 6:30 pm)
Dec. 3	1:00 pm	Fresh Wreaths by Karen Probst, WCHS (Also 7:00 pm)
Dec. 4	1:00 pm	Fowl-Weather Friend by Karen Probst, WCHS (Also 7:00 pm)
Dec. 13	10:00 am	Barking Up Right Tree led by John Trexler, WCHS

TOURS/TRIPS

March 12	New England Spring Flower Show, Boston, MA
May 14	Festival of Herbs & Wildflowers, Gore Place and Garden In The Woods, Framingham, MA
June 7	Tour of members' gardens (Mrs. Robert Stoddard, Edward Eagan & Helen and Russell Davis), Worcester, MA
June 21	Trip to a Quaking Bog, Holden, MA led by Dr. Vernon Ahmadjian, Clark University Professor of Botany
July 16	Heritage Plantation, Sandwich, MA and Great Hill Farm, Marion, MA
Aug. 5	Holy Cross College Grounds Tour, Worcester, MA
Sept. 17	Tour of members' gardens (Mrs. Robert Stoddard, Russell and Helen Davis, and Matthew Mattus), Worcester, MA
Sept. 27	Antique Apples at Old Sturbridge Village (tour of S. Lothrop Davenport Preservation Apple Orchard) by John Trexler, WCHS
Oct. 15	Rural Cemetery - Alive With Color led by John Trexler, WCHS

SHOWS

Feb. 27, 28, 29 March 1	Spring Flower Show (last to be held in Horticultural Hall)
July 12-13	Lily & Garden Show with New England Regional Lily Group
Oct. 24, 25, 26	A Harvest of Color, Salisbury Mansion, Worcester, MA with Worcester Historical Museum

REPORT OF THE PRESERVATION ORCHARD COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

1986 was a year of serious dedication to the maintenance and upkeep of the Davenport Preservation Orchard located at Old Sturbridge Village. Everything from the spray program, pruning, bee pollination, and grass cutting has improved the appearance of the orchard. It was especially beautiful at apple blossom time. In this year of our move to Tower Hill, the establishment of a new orchard of 'old varieties' is in the planning. It will be a few years down the road until our own orchard becomes established; in the meantime OSV has agreed to continue our contract arrangement with them.

This year's scion program distributed 1400 scions to 138 individuals, arboretums, nurseries, and orchards located in 32 states. This concentrated effort was performed by a growing number of dedicated volunteers. The income from this program goes a long way toward covering the orchard maintenance expenses. As many of you are aware, the Society is advertised in many garden publications as one of the leading sources of scion wood in the country.

In planning for the Tower Hill orchard, we have made visits to orchards in the area to learn more abut the newer methods of planting. We have also become acquainted with key people at the University of Massachusetts Extension Service Fruit Specialists. This group has offered to help us and are genuinely interested and pleased with what we are doing. Our nursery for grafted apple seedlings began this year at Tower Hill; we continue next year and hope for good success.

One of the highlights of the season was a tour of the Sturbridge orchard. On a beautiful day in September, sixty people enjoyed seeing the trees at harvest time, tasting and comparing the different varieties, as John Trexler filled in with a bit of history and apple lore.

This has been a year of frustrations and rewards, of work and planning, and also of challenge and excitement. It is a very special time to be involved at Tower Hill.

Respectfully submitted,
Gladys Bozenhard, Chairman
Preservation Orchard Committee

REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Tower Hill Fund as of today stands at $2,316,264 which is close to our $2.5 million goal. We want to thank all of you chairmen, solicitors, and generous contributors for the success of our campaign to date; but, we still have $183,376 yet to raise. I understand this is the most difficult. If you have some cards yet to be done or know of someone who might like to be part of Tower Hill, give us a call.

Respectfully submitted,
Hope H. Spear, Co-Chairman
Development Committee

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

This year we had three very worthy young men apply for our annual scholarship of $1,000. After reviewing the submitted information from the applicants, the Scholarship Committee decided to interview each candidate. An applicant must be registered in an established course of study relating to horticulture and the Committee bases its decision on 1) interest in horticulture; 2) sincerity of purpose; 3) financial need; and 4) scholastic record.

All three applicants were interviewed in May 1986 and after some dilemma and much conversation, the Committee chose Gordon G. Smith as our scholarship recipient. Gordon is from Auburn, has completed the two-year Landscape Operation program at the Stockbridge School of Agriculture, and is currently seeking a degree in Environmental Design at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. Gordon displayed much enthusiasm for his chosen field and is happily integrating his two main interests — landscape architecture and horticulture. He has worked for six years at the Hill Crest Farm in Auburn where he became involved in Christmas tree production, greenhouse operations, and general farming.

The Committee feels that Gordon will be a success in his profession and is a good investment for the Horticultural Society.

Respectfully submitted,
Gale Morgan, Chairman
Scholarship Committee

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

After careful consideration, the Nominating Committee has agreed to nominate the following individuals for the office designated for 1987:

For Trustees:

Term Ending 1987:	Jeremy F. O'Connell
Term Ending 1990:	Isabel K. Arms Ernestine Blanchard Cushing C. Bozenhard David J. Hall Julia Lapham Roger N. Mezitt
For Nominating Committee:	Tammy Butler, Chairman Richard Dearborn Saundra Lane

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Moore, Chairman
Nominating Committee

1986 ANNUAL MEETING

January 15, 1987

AGENDA

Call to Order	Philip C. Beals, President
Treasurer's Report	Henry L. Rudio
Reports of Committees:	
By-Laws	John Mirick
Master Plan	George Bernardin
Finance	Robert Florsheim
Plant Collections	Thomas Buchter
Library	Julie O'Shea
Building	Cushing Bozenard
Preservation Orchard	Gladys Bozenhard
Exhibitions	Karen Probst
Sale of Building	Richard Dearborn
Membership	Isabel Arms
Scholarship	Gale Morgan
Nominating	Rebecca Moore

Adjourn

Program: Master Plan Design for Tower Hill Botanic Garden

Speaker: Geoffrey Rausch, Partner
Environmental Planning & Design Inc.
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

PRESIDENTS

OF
THE WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

JOHN GREEN	1840-1844
ISAAC DAVIS	1844-1848
JOHN MILTON EARLE	1848-1851
STEPHEN SALISBURY, 2ND	1851-1857
DANIEL WALDO LINCOLN	1857-1860
ALEXANDER H. BULLOCK	1860-1863
GEORGE JAQUES	1863-1864
J. HENRY HILL	1864-1867
FRANCIS H. DEWEY	1867-1871
GEORGE W. RICHARDSON	1871-1872
GEORGE E. FRANCIS	1872-1874
OBADIAH B. HADWEN	1875-1876
WILLIAM T. MERRIFIELD	1876-1879
STEPHEN SALISBURY, 3RD	1879-1880
FRANCIS H. DEWEY	1881-1888
HENRY L. PARKER	1888-1895
GEORGE CALVIN RICE	1908-1909
EDWARD W. BREED	1910-1915
ARTHUR E. HARTSHORN	1916-1917
CHARLES GREENWOOD	1918-1919
LEONARD C. MIDGLEY	1920-1921
DAVID L. FISKE	1922-1923
MYRON F. CONVERSE	1923-1924
ALLEN W. HIXON	1948-1960
DR. ROBERT S. ILLINGWORTH	1960-1963
HERBERT E. BERG	1963-1964
LINWOOD M. ERSKINE, JR.	1964-1968
FREDERICK D. BROWN	1968-1971
PALMER W. BIGELOW, JR.	1972-1974
PAUL E. ROGERS	1975-1978
H. WAITE HURLBURT	1979-1984
CUSHING C. BOZENHARD	1-4/1984
PHILIP C. BEALS	5/1984-

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BOTANIC GARDEN

The above is the official logo for Tower Hill Botanic Garden as designed by Robert Zeleniak, of Worcester, MA. This logo appears on our Tower Hill sign and our letterhead.

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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1987

President
Philip C. Beals

Vice Presidents
Richard Dearborn Robert Florsheim Linda Milton Hope Spear

Secretary
Elizabeth Dean

Treasurer
Henry Rudio

Executive Director
John Trexler

Educational Coordinator
Karen Probst

Educational Assistant (- August)
Gail Keleher

Administrative Assistant
Janice Irwin (- August)
Virginia Roberts (September -)

Librarian
Julie O'Shea

Grounds Manager
Darrell Probst

Trustees

1988	1989	1990
George Bernardin	Joyce Fuller	Isabel Arms
Thomas Buchter	John Mirick	Ernestine Blanchard
Gladys Bozenhard	Anita Hooker	Cushing Bozenhard
Betty Gifford	Rebecca Moore	David Hall
Catherine Hodgson	Jeremy O'Connell	Julie Lapham
Gale Morgan		Roger Mezitt

Honorary Trustees

Arnold Banning	Bernice Heald	H. Waite Hurlburt
Fayre Nason	Helen Stoddard	Leslie Winter

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

This year the Horticultural Society lost one of its loyal and dedicated leaders in the passing of H. Waite Hurlburt, Jr. I would like to take this opportunity to quote from the Worcester Telegram and pay tribute to this beloved man, who passed away on November 6, 1987, at age 73.

"Mr. Hurlburt was president and chairman of the Board of People's Savings Bank, where he worked for 32 years before retiring in 1978. He began his banking career as a clerk-teller at People's in 1946 . . . was elected clerk of the corporation and secretary of the trustees and board of investment in 1953. He rose to vice president in 1956 and was named president in 1967. He was involved in the 1970 merger of People's with Mechanics Savings Bank and relocation of the bank's main office to the People's Bank Building in Worcester Center.

Mr. Hurlburt graduated from North High School and attended Clark University. He joined the former Denholm & McKay Co. department store in 1933 and rose to assistant buyer before he left in 1942 for military service.

During World War II he served with the U.S. Army for three years in England and France. He was discharged as a captain, but recalled to thirteen months of active duty during the Korean War.

Mr. Hurlburt was a former president and honorary trustee of Worcester County Mechanics Association and Children's Friend Society. He was President of the Worcester County Horticultural Society from 1979 to 1984. He was past president and a member of the Board of the Worcester County Music Association and a member of the Board of the former Worcester Players Club. He was also a trustee of the Worcester Historical Museum.

Mr. Hurlburt was past president of the Worcester Taxpayers Association and a member of the insurance committee of the Savings Bank Association of Massachusetts. He was a corporator of the former Home for Aged Men and president of the former Rest Home Association. He also served on the Presidents Council at Leicester Junior College.

He was awarded one of the first Silver Hammer awards from the Worcester Area Chamber of Commerce for his role in saving and restoring Mechanics Hall. He also received the Worcester Children's Friend Society's Miles-Lincoln Award in recognition of his work on behalf of area children.

Mr. Hurlburt enjoyed banking . . . because it kept him around people. 'You get the greatest reward in doing something for someone else. It's a far greater return than always planning for yourself. It is vital,' he added, 'to be kind to people.' "

Waite's wife, Dorothy, remains an active member and dedicated volunteer of the Society.

H. Waite Hurlburt will be greatly missed.

Respectfully submitted,
Philip C. Beals, *President*

H. WAITE HURLBURT, JR. 1914-1987

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

"Slow but steady wins the race," has always been one of my favorite mottos. 1987 was a year of slow but steady progress for the Horticultural Society.

1987 was our first full year of occupancy at Tower Hill. We enjoyed our first winter of beautiful snow, and our first spring of flowering bulbs in our newly planted cottage garden. It was inspiring to observe the property through a full progression of seasons.

1987 brought our annual Worcester Spring Flower Show to the Centrum for the first time. This new location enabled us to double our exhibition space, and provided greater accessibility for visitors.

1987 marked important progress on the Master Plan for Tower Hill. In April, after months of testing, we were successful in locating two sites for leaching fields of our future septic systems. The garden and building layout can now begin. Our goal is to unveil the finished plan about the middle of the year, 1988.

1987 also brought significant changes in our staff. In late August, Jan Irwin and Gail Keleher left the employ of the Society. Jan relocated to Ohio and Gail accepted a teaching position at Burncoat High School in Worcester. We were very sad to see these fine people leave. In September we hired Virginia Roberts of Barre to replace Jan. Mrs. Roberts is proving to be an invaluable addition to the staff. We hope to make some organizational changes within the education department and hire another staff member to replace Gail early in 1988.

1987 brought such progress on the Master Plan that the Trustees felt the time had come to select building architects to work with our Master Planners. In October we signed a contract with the firm of Juster, Pope, Frazier, of Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts. We look ahead with great expectations as the building design evolves.

1987 contained a note of sadness with the passing of H. Waite Hurlburt on November 6, 1987. Waite was the Society's president from 1979-1984 and was one of the champions of the Society's goal of developing a botanic garden.

1987 was filled with many more exciting and meaningful events. The following reports will bring to light the varied details of the many facets of the Worcester County Horticultural Society.

Respectfully submitted,
John W. Trexler
Executive Director

REPORT OF THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

During 1987 the By-Laws Committee finalized the By-Laws for the Worcester County Horticultural Society.

We place these By-Laws before you at this Annual Meeting for ratification.

Respectfully submitted,
John Mirick, *Chairman*
BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY BY-LAWS

Article I
NAME AND LOCATION

1.1 **Name.** The name of this organization shall be the Worcester County Horticultural Society.

1.2 **Location.** The principal office of the Society shall be in the town of Boylston, Massachusetts. The Trustees may change the location of the principal office in Worcester County effective upon filing a certificate with the Secretary of State of the Commonwealth.

1.3 **Seal.** The Trustees may adopt and alter a seal for the Society.

Article II
PURPOSE

2.1 **Purpose.** The Society shall be operated as an educational organization for the purpose of advancing the science, and encouraging and improving the practice of horticulture. (First adopted March 3, 1842).

Article III
MEMBERSHIP

3.1 **Members.** Any persons or institutions interested in the purpose of the Society shall be eligible for membership. The Trustees shall from time to time establish such classes of membership as may be appropriate.

3.2 **Membership Contributions.** The Trustees shall from time to time establish membership contributions for the various classes of membership. Notices of annual membership contributions shall be sent to all members. Any member who fails to pay the applicable membership con-

tribution within three months following the sending of notice shall be dropped from membership, and shall lose all the privileges of a member of the Society.

Article IV
MEETINGS

4.1 **Annual Meeting.** The annual meeting of the Society shall be held on the third Thursday in January of each year, or at such other time in the month of January as the Trustees may determine. The annual meeting may be held at the principal office of the Society, or at such other place as the Trustees may determine.

4.2 **Special Meetings.** Special meetings of the Society may be called by the President, the Board of Trustees, or upon written request of twenty-five members of the Society delivered to the President.

4.3 **Notice.** All meetings of the Society shall be called by giving not less than one week's notice to each member by mail so far as their addresses may be known, or by publishing a notice in a newspaper published in Worcester, Massachusetts.

4.4 **Quorum.** Thirty or more members eligible to vote shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business.

Article V
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

5.1 **Number and Election.** The Board of Trustees shall consist of the President, the Vice Presidents, the Treasurer, the Secretary, and not less than fifteen, nor more than thirty-six, other members of the Society, elected annually by the members at the annual meeting.

5.2 **Tenure.** The Trustees elected at any annual meeting shall be elected for three years or such shorter length of term as will cause the term of office of approximately one-third of the elected members of the Board to expire each year. No trustee shall serve for more than six consecutive years, except that an officer may, if re-elected, continue to serve in that office for not more than three additional consecutive years. Trustees who have served the maximum term may be re-elected to the Board after an interval of not less than one year.

5.3 **Meetings.** Meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be called by the President, or upon the written request of five Trustees.

5.4 **Notice.** Notice of all meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be mailed to each Trustee at least seven days prior to the date of any meeting.

5.5 **Quorum.** Ten members or one-third of the Trustees then in office, whichever is less, shall constitute a quorum.

5.6 **Powers.** The Board of Trustees shall have the general direction, control and management of the property and the affairs of the Society except such as are to be exercised exclusively by the members of the Society by law or by these By-Laws.

5.7 **Audit.** The Board of Trustees shall arrange for an annual audit of the accounts of the Treasurer and the financial affairs of the Society.

5.8 **Honorary Trustees.** Any Trustee who has served as a Trustee for not less than three years may be elected an Honorary Trustee at an annual meeting. An Honorary Trustee shall hold office for the remainder of his or her life, unless re-elected an active Trustee or removed for good and sufficient cause by vote of the members of the Society. Honorary Trustees shall not be voting members of the Board of Trustees.

Article VI
OFFICERS

6.1 **Number and Election.** The officers of the Society shall be a President, one or more Vice Presidents, a Treasurer, a Secretary, and an Executive Director. The officers, other than the Executive Director, shall be elected annually by the members at the annual meeting and shall hold office for one year and until their successors are elected. Officers may be re-elected. Vacancies in any office may be filled by the Trustees until the next annual meeting.

6.2 ***President and Vice Presidents.*** *The President and the Vice Presidents shall have the usual duties of their respective offices and such other duties as may be assigned to them from time to time by the Trustees. The President shall be a member of all committees* ***ex officio.*** *No President or Vice President shall be elected by the members to the same office for more than five consecutive annual terms.*

6.3 **Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall be the chief financial officer and the chief accounting officer of the Society. The Treasurer shall be in charge of the Society's financial affairs, accounts, funds, securities and valuable papers, and shall keep full and accurate records thereof. The Treasurer shall supervise the keeping of correct records of receipts and expenditures in books maintained by the Society. The Treasurer shall present a report of the financial activities of the Society at each annual meeting. If required by the Trustees, the Treasurer shall give bond for the faithful performance of the duties of the office in such sum or sums and with such surety or sureties as the Trustees may direct.

6.4 **Secretary.** The Secretary shall record and maintain records of all proceedings of the Society and of the Trustees. These records shall be kept at the principal office of the Society, and shall be open at all reasonable times to the inspection of any member. The Secretary shall be responsible for notices of annual meetings and special meetings of the Society, and meetings of the Trustees.

6.5 ***Vacancy.*** *In the event of a vacancy in any office other than Executive Director, the Trustees may elect one of the Trustees to fill that office until the next annual meeting.*

6.6 **Executive Director.** The Executive Director shall be elected by the Trustees and shall serve at the pleasure of the Trustees. The Executive Director shall be the executive officer of the Society and, subject to the instructions of the Trustees, shall be responsible for the general operation of the Society. So far as possible, the Executive Director shall attend all regular meetings of the Society, the Trustees and Standing Committees. The Executive Director shall prepare agendas for the annual meeting and special meetings of the Society and for the meetings of the Trustees. The Executive Director shall supervise the services of all employees. The Executive Director shall carry out such special duties as may be assigned to the Executive Director from time to time by the Trustees.

Article VII
COMMITTEES

7.1 **Standing Committees.** The Standing Committees of the Society shall be the Executive Committee, the Nominating Committee and the Finance Committee.

7.2 **Executive Committee.** The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, the Vice Presidents, the Secretary, the Treasurer and such other Trustees as the President, with the consent of the Trustees, may appoint for a term of one year. Trustees may be reappointed. Two-thirds of the members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Except as otherwise provided by law or by these By-Laws, the Executive Committee shall have and exercise all the powers of the Trustees during the intervals between meetings of the Trustees. All actions of the Executive Committee shall be considered for ratification or confirmation at the next succeeding meeting of the Trustees.

7.3 **Nominating Committee.** *The Nominating Committee shall consist of three members of the Society, who need not be Trustees. One member shall be elected each year at the annual meeting of the Society for a term of three years. Any vacancy before the end of a term shall be filled by appointment by the president until the next annual meeting, at which time a member shall be elected to fill the balance of that term. No member of the Nominating Committee shall serve for more than six consecutive years.*

The Nominating Committee shall nominate one or more candidates for each office to be filled at the annual meeting of the Society, including the Nominating Committee. At least one month before the annual meeting, the Nominating Committee shall file all nominations with the Executive Director, who shall immediately post the nominations in some public place at the Society's principal office.

Nominations for any office to be filled at the annual meeting of the Society may also be made by papers signed by fifteen or more members of the Society filed with the Executive Director at least two weeks before the annual meeting. Immediately upon receiving such nominations, the Executive Director shall post the nominations in some public place at the Society's principal office.

7.4 **Finance Committee.** The members of the Finance Committee shall be appointed by the President to serve terms of three years, or such shorter length of term as will cause the term of office of approximately one-third of the members to expire each year. Members need not be Trustees, and may be reappointed. The Finance Committee shall advise the Treasurer concerning the investment and management of the Society's funds and securities, and provide such additional advice and assistance as the Treasurer may request.

7.5 **Other Committees.** The President may appoint such other committees as the President and the Trustees shall determine from time to time to be advisable and necessary, including but not limited to an Exhibition Committee, a Library Committee, and an Orchard Committee. The chairperson of each such committee shall be a Trustee, but the other members of each such committee need not be Trustees. Members may be reappointed to such committees. Except as otherwise specifically set forth in these By-Laws, committees shall have such duties as may be assigned to them from time to time by the Trustees.

Ammendments/changes are shown in italicized type.

Article VIII
FINANCE

8.1 **Fiscal Year.** The fiscal year of the Society shall begin on the first day of December in each year.

8.2 **Accounts.** The monies of the Society shall be deposited in the name of the Society in such banks or other financial institutions as the Trustees shall designate. Funds shall be drawn only by checks or orders signed by such persons as the Trustees shall designate.

8.3 **Restrictions.** No part of any earnings or assets may benefit any private person or individual other than by payment of reasonable compensation to employees and the normal carrying out of the educational purposes of the Society. No part of the activities shall consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. In the event of dissolution of the Society, all assets remaining after the payment of all liabilities shall be paid over to educational institutions located in Massachusetts which are exempt under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Revenue Law.

Article IX
AMENDMENTS

9.1 **By The Trustees.** These By-Laws, or any subsequent By-Law adopted by the Trustees or the members, may be amended or repealed by vote of two-thirds of the Trustees then in office, except with respect to any provision of any By-Laws which by law, the Society's Charter of Incorporation, or the By-Laws requires action by the members of the Society. Written notice stating the substance of any such amendment or repeal shall be given to the members not later than the annual meeting next following the vote of the Trustees to amend or repeal.

9.2 **By The Members.** These By-Laws, or any subsequent By-Law adopted by the Trustees or the members, may be amended or repealed by vote of two-thirds the members present at any annual meeting of the Society. Notice that the subject of amending or repealing By-Laws is to come before the Society shall be included in the notice of such annual meeting.

9.3 **Restrictions.** No amendment may be made which affects the educational status of the Society or affects the disposition of assets on dissolution to an educational income-tax-exempt organization.

Annual Meeting 1/21/88

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The membership of the Committee has remained the same and is comprised of Messrs. Florsheim (Chairman), Hall and Mirick. Messrs. Rudio, Beals and Trexler are ex-officio members.

We held 13 meetings in fiscal year 1987.

At the beginning of the fiscal year, the Society's total investable funds amounted to $791,000. By the end of the fiscal year these funds had increased to $1,924,000 due to contributions, portfolio appreciation and investment income.

Portfolio appreciation amounted to approximately $289,000; dividends and interest together added an additional $64,000, for a total investment return of roughly $353,000. During the year we reached a peak ratio of 75% in blue-chip equities with the remaining 25% in a conservative money-market fund. In early September, we sold our stock in two steps (Sept. 3rd and Sept. 8th) and moved our funds completely into a Treasury Bill fund.

Because we were invested in common stock for only a portion of the year and because of several significant inflows of funds it is difficult to calculate a meaningful comparison with the major stock averages; but it should be noted that by selling in September, we preserved our capital gain for the year.

Currently our total investable funds amount to approximately $2,263,000, the increase since November 30th stemming largely from several large contributions to our capital fund. All of our monies are now invested in a Treasury Bill fund managed by the Provident National Bank in Philadelphia.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Florsheim, *Chairman*
FINANCE COMMITTEE

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Trustees
of the Worcester County Horticultural Society:

We have examined the statement of assets, liabilities, and fund balances-cash basis of the Worcester County Horticultural Society (a non-profit organization) as of November 30, 1987, and the related statements of support, revenue and expenses-cash basis for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. The financial statements of the Worcester County Horticultural Society for the year ended November 30, 1986 were examined by other auditors.

As described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the organization's policy is to prepare its financial statements on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, except that they include provision for depreciation of buildings and equipment. Consequently, certain revenue and the related assets are recognized when received rather than when earned, and certain expenses are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements are not intended to present financial position and results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly the assets and liabilities of the Worcester County Horticultural Society as of November 30, 1987, and its support, revenue and expenses, and the changes in its fund balances for the year then ended, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1, which has been applied in a manner consistent with that of the preceding year.

The James E. Griffin Staff
Worcester, Massachusetts
May 17, 1988

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCE - CASH BASIS
November 30, 1987

OPERATING FUND

Assets:		
Unrestricted —		
Cash	$ 9,221	
Temporary cash investments	438,036	$447,257
Restricted —		
Temporary cash investments		19,911
Total assets		$467,168
Liabilities and Fund Balance:		
Unrestricted —		
Payroll withholdings	$ 2,367	
Restricted —		
Unexpended endowment funds income (Note 2)	19,911	
Total liabilities		$ 22,278
Fund balance		444,890
Total liabilities and fund balance		$467,168

PLANT FUND

Assets:		
Land, building and equipment	$980,832	
Less - accumulated depreciation (Note 3)	47,697	$933,135
Total assets		$933,135
Fund balance		$933,135

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Assets:	
Temporary cash investments	$ 58,003
Total assets	$ 58,003
Fund balance	$ 58,003

FUNDS FUNCTIONING AS ENDOWMENT

Assets:	
Temporary cash investments	$1,277,759
Total assets	$1,277,759
Fund balance	$1,277,759

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND

Assets:	
Temporary cash investments	$ 130,686
Total assets	$ 130,686
Fund balance	$ 130,686

The Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

OPERATING FUND

Support and Revenue:			
Educational activities (net)		$ 17,874	
Membership dues income		27,175	
Gifts, grants and contributions		10,878	
Gain on sale of securities		86,688	
Dividend income:			
Unrestricted		17,687	
Restricted	$5,451		
Less - addition to principal	(75)	5,376	
Other		1,579	$167,257
Expenses:			
Salaries and employee benefits		$133,672	
Insurance		11,974	
Building and grounds supplies		8,928	
Printing and postage		7,708	
Repairs and maintenance		7,385	
Telephone and utilities		4,639	
Office supplies and expense		3,647	
Library expense		2,995	
Conferences and seminars		2,955	
Advertising and public relations		2,207	
Dues and subscriptions		1,574	
Professional services		1,463	
Scholarship		1,000	
Vehicle expense		946	
Miscellaneous		903	191,996
Excess of expenses over support and revenue			(24,739)
Application of unexpended endowment fund income for restricted uses (Note 2)			8,954
Transfer from Funds Functioning as Endowment (Note 4)			15,785
Change in fund balance			— 0 —
Fund balance — December 1, 1986			444,890
Fund balance — November 30, 1987			$444,890

PLANT FUND

Fund balance — December 1, 1986	$ 801,438
Acquisition of land, building and equipment with Capital Campaign Funds	143,523
Depreciation	(11,826)
Fund balance — November 30, 1987	$ 933,135

The Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Fund balance — December 1, 1986		$ 56,428
Support and revenue		
Elouise S. Knight Memorial Fund	$ 1,500	
Dividend income added to principal	75	1,575
Fund balance — November 30, 1987		$ 58,003

FUNDS FUNCTIONING AS ENDOWMENT

Fund balance — December 1, 1986		$1,050,000
Support and revenue		
Gains on sale of securities	$202,274	
Dividend income	41,270	243,544
Transfer to operating funds (Note 4)		(15,785)
Fund balance — November 30, 1987		$1,277,759

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND

Fund balance — December 1, 1986		($ 753,323)
Support and revenue		
Gifts, grants and contributions	$1,040,218	
Net proceeds of annual plant sale	2,609	
	1,042,827	
Expenses		
Fund raising expense	15,295	1,027,532
Purchases of land, building and equipment		(143,523)
Fund balance — November 30, 1987		$ 130,686

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
NOVEMBER 30, 1987

Note 1 — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

Basis of presentation — The financial statements have been prepared using the cash basis of accounting. As a result they do not reflect accrued income, prepaid expenses, accounts payable or accrued expenses.

Land, building and equipment — Fixed assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives of 33⅓ years for buildings, 5 to 15 years for equipment and 5 years for the motor vehicle.

During the year ended November 30, 1987, the Society began a practice of capitalizing a portion of the salaries of those employees whose efforts are directly related to making permanent land improvements as part of the long term plan for the Tower Hill Botanical Garden. Therefore, salaries would have been higher by $5,455 if these amounts were not capitalized.

The Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

Note 2 — The activity in the unexpended endowment funds income account was as follows:

Balance — December 1, 1986			$28,865
Additions:			
Endowment funds income	$5,451		
Less - addition to principal	(75)	$ 5,376	
Deductions:			
Prizes, library and scholarship		14,330	(8,954)
Balance — November 30, 1987			$19,911

Note 3 — At November 30, 1987, the land, building and equipment account was comprised as follows:

	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Book Value
Land and improvements	$797,762		$797,762
Buildings	103,538	$ 4,623	98,915
Furniture and fixtures	41,742	30,436	11,306
Equipment	27,245	10,705	16,540
Motor vehicle	10,545	1,933	8,612
	$980,832	$47,697	$933,135

Note 4 — Funds Functioning as Endowment — On September 17, 1986 the Trustees voted that the proceeds from the sale of the 30 Elm Street property ($1,050,000) be used to establish a fund functioning as endowment. The income shall be available for the Society's operating budget and any unexpended income is to be added to principal annually.

During the fiscal year ended November 30, 1987 assets of the Funds Functioning as Endowments were invested together with assets of the Operating Fund in a pooled account. The Society realized dividend and interest income of $58,957, and gains on the sale of securities of $288,962 from these combined investments. This income was allocated between the participating funds, in proportion to the amount of assets invested at December 1, 1986, as follows:

	Investment December 1, 1986	Dividend and Interest Income	Realized Gains on Sale of Securities
Operating Funds	$ 442,447	$17,687	$ 86,688
Funds Functioning as Endowments	1,050,000	41,270	202,274
Total	$1,492,447	$58,957	$288,962

A transfer of $15,785 was made from the Funds Functioning as Endowment to the Operating Fund as of November 30, 1987 to offset the excess of expenses over the support and revenue of the Operating Funds during the year ended November 30, 1987.

Note 5 — Capital Campaign Fund — In the spring of 1986 a capital fund campaign was undertaken with a target of $2,500,000. Funds raised are to be used to defray the cost of and expenses incurred in the acquisition of the Tower Hill property and for its future development.

Note 6 — Income Taxes — The Society is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

SCHEDULE OF ENDOWMENT FUNDS INCOME

	Principal Amount	Income for Year	Income Restricted For
Edward A. Bigelow Fund	$ 1,000	$ 94	Prizes
Mrs. Edward A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	94	Prizes
G. A. Bigelow Fund	1,000	94	Prizes
Miss Elizabeth R. Bishop Fund	500	47	Prizes
Frederick A. Blake Fund	1,000	94	Prizes
Chandler Bullock Fund	1,000	94	Prizes
Harvie Channin Educational Fund	2,605	241	Scholarships ($193) and addition to principal ($48)
Children's Garden Fund	500	47	Children's garden
Myron F. Converse Memorial Fund	10,000	942	Prizes ($471) and library ($471)
Cook-Davey Fund	600	56	New fruits and scholarships
Miss Lucy M. Coulson Fund	1,000	94	Prizes
Francis Henshaw Dewey Fund	1,000	94	Books for library
Edwin Draper Fund	300	28	Prizes
William Eames Fund	500	47	Prizes
Gerald Fales Memorial Fund	1,000	94	Prizes
Hadwen Fund	1,000	94	Unrestricted
Bernice B. Heald Fund	1,000	94	Prizes
Warren Higgins Fund	4,000	376	Scholarship
Samuel T. and Anna N. W. Hobbs Fund	5,000	471	Children's interests
Elouise S. Knight Memorial Fund	5,000	471	Prizes
Edwin Winslow Lincoln Fund	1,000	94	Unrestricted
Mend-A-Book Fund	3,500	329	Restoration of library materials
Miss Frances Clary Morse Fund	500	47	Prizes
National Association of Gardeners Fund	1,453	134	Scholarships ($107) and addition to principal ($27)
Edwin W. Proctor Fund	10,000	942	Scholarships ($471) and library ($471)
Scholarship Fund	75	7	Scholarships
George B. Slater Fund	470	44	Prizes
Thayer Fund	2,000	188	Prizes
	$58,003	$5,451	

The Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

Much of the Building Committee's work was handled by the Director and the Grounds Manager, and most was in the nature of minor improvements to the house and grounds. Within the house, the kitchen was painted and the bathroom painted and wallpapered. A new water faucet was added for garden supply, a cold frame was built and put into service, and floodlights were added for the parking lot.

Also completed was a water service to the orchard and a deer fence around the orchard, which included excavation around the perimeter to keep out burrowing critters.

Loam was removed from the parking lot and gravel put in its place to make a better, if temporary, parking area.

We are looking at small back-hoe loaders for our first, and most versatile piece of equipment for construction of the gardens, and expect to make a recommendation to the board soon for this important purchase.

Progress on the Tower Hill Botanic Garden consisted of a series of interviews with some eleven architects applying for the commission to design the Visitors' Center. This interview process culminated in the selection of Juster, Pope, Frazier of Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts, as our architect. They have had one meeting with the Director and another with the Committee and interested trustees; and we are on our way to refining the program and developing schematic drawings.

We have also discussed removal of the barn, the consensus of the Committee being to relocate the old section of the barn and demolish the dairy wing. The Director will spot the new location in the maintenance area with the help of Geoffrey Rausch. The Committee is preparing bidding documents for the move, the repair and the new foundation.

Respectfully submitted,
Cushing Bozenhard, *Chairman*
BUILDING COMMITTEE
Catherine Hodgson
Anita Hooker
Rebecca Moore
Frederic Mulligan
William Whipple

REPORT OF THE MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE

The Master Plan Committee had another very active year in 1987. In the fall of 1986 the firm of Environmental Planning and Design, which was selected to prepare the Master Plan for Tower Hill, began its preliminary analysis of the site. This involved a number of visits to study the physical features of Tower Hill and to have discussions with staff and Trustees about the development of the Plan.

In early 1987, Environmental Planning and Design was able to prepare a draft "Site Analysis and Program Working Paper" in order to outline the tentative program and environmental considerations that would be incorporated into the Master Plan. During the spring of 1987, the Committee met to review this working paper and to provide further suggestions and considerations to the design firm.

Work on the Master Plan itself was held up for several weeks during the spring because of unexpected problems in locating areas that could be developed for on-site septic systems. After many nervous moments, good percolation areas were identified and the development of the Master Plan could then proceed.

From the late spring until the fall, the Committee and the Trustees reviewed a number of drafts of the Master Plan, each time giving further input and direction to our design firm. Through this process, the Trustees and staff were able to agree on the major features of the Plan, the location of roads, buildings, gardens, etc.

By the fall of the year, the Master Plan was nearly completed. The major outstanding issue was the "footprint" (location on the ground) of the visitor center. At that point, it was decided to put the Master Plan on hold while the Building Committee engaged an architect to develop a preliminary plan for the visitor center so that we would have a better idea of exactly how the visitor center and associated improvements would fit into the Master Plan.

As of January of 1988, we are waiting for the architect and the Building Committee to complete their initial work on the visitor center. When this is done, Environmental Planning and Design will be able to complete the detailed drawings for the Master Plan and we will be on our way to developing an outstanding botanic garden at Tower Hill.

Respectfully submitted,
George Bernardin, *Chairman*
MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE
Isabel Arms
Philip Beals
Cushing Bozenhard
Joyce Fuller
Catherine Hodgson
Anita Hooker
Hope Spear
Paul Trudeau
Darrell Probst
Karen Probst

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Membership Committee held three meetings in the winter and spring of 1987. There were also meetings of the Family Day Committee, which consisted primarily of Membership Committee members.

Membership Committee members helped staff the membership table at the Worcester Spring Flower Show and worked at the Plant Sale and Family Day giving out membership information.

This Committee recommended that membership fees be increased to $25.00 for individual and $35.00 for family membership. This is in line with other organizations in the New England area. The Trustees voted to accept this recommendation.

In 1988 the use of our beautiful new WCHS brochure will help the Membership Committee activity to be more productive.

Respectfully submitted,
Isabel Arms, *Chairperson*
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
Anne Barlow
Ernestine Blanchard
Sally Cormier
Nancy Hatch
Ann Kulisa
Ann Lincoln
Jackie McClelland
Bonnie Prescott
Olive Prunier
Roberta Theriault
Virginia Varney

MEMBERSHIP 1987

The following new members joined the Society during 1987:

INDIVIDUAL
Patricia M. Akerson
Dorothy Anthony-Odgren
Ms. Dorothy A. Bates
Ms. Kathy L. Berg
Mrs. Barbara J. Bickford
Ms. Sheila G. Brackley
Mrs. Louis C. Broughton
Denise Brouillette-Jacobsen
Maureen K. Burns
Mrs. Claire M. Cantiani
Cameron Carlyle
Miss Joan J. Christian
Miss Geraldine W. Cook
Sylvia A. Correia
Elizabeth Densmore
Mrs. Janith F. Dorsey
George H. Fryburg
Mrs. Carolyn C. Gibbons
Mrs. Georgienne D. Goodnow
Mrs. Gladys Greenleaf
Ruth Guillette
Pam Haynes
Mrs. Jerome E. Hequembourg
Jacqueline Hitchcock
James M. Hopper
Virginia C. Hopper
A. R. Kinney, Jr.
Mrs. Donna Kirby
E. Anne Koskinen
Virginia M. Kozlowski
Mr. Francis Kubik
Deborah S. Levin
Stina B. Long
Charles MacKinnon
Mrs. Margaret K. Matthews
Ms. Sheila McAvey
Mrs. Clarence Milstead
Miss Helen Mortimer
Mr. Del Nickerson
Diane Novak
Eleanor R. Nylen
Miss Janice M. Olson
Margaret O'Toole
Judith M. Picotte
Katharine Price
Mrs. Ellen Racine
Mr. Joseph P. Rice
Ms. Barbara Richardson
Mrs. Marjorie C. Riegel
Linda L. Ritter
Mr. Burton A. Robie
Ms. MaryAnne Ropiak
Abigail Rorer
Mrs. Robert T. Sanford
Ruth M. Sarafinas
Fred C. Schuler
Mrs. Michael W. Scricco
Michael S. Sczerzen
Ms. Bonnie B. Shattuck
Shirley Smith
Dennis E. Snay
Claudia Sobosik
Pat Thomas
Elizabeth Vaill
Kathleen Van Schoick
Phyllis Marshall Watson
Gertrude C. Woodbury

FAMILY
Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Baird
James & Dorothy Baker
Harry & Gloria Bayliss
Mr. & Mrs. David L. Belisle
Dr. & Mrs. Michael J. Biancamano
Mr. & Mrs. Merrick Bigelow
Mr. & Mrs. R. L. Brannaman
Fran & Pat Brissette
Mr. & Mrs. Douglas P. Butler
Mr. & Mrs. Chester E. Carter
Robert & Diane Dewan
Mr. & Mrs. Donald F. Dillman
Donna L. Dudley
Mr. & Mrs. Frederic L. Dupre
Elizabeth A. Estabrook/
Stanley Alisauskas
Scott & Edith P. Ewing
Mr. & Mrs. Robert B. Fontaine
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Fournier
Norman & Margot French
Mr. & Mrs. Roger W. Frost
Joseph & Nancy Gill
Mr. & Mrs. Donald B. Graham
Mr. & Mrs. John W. Gray
David & Janet Hagstrom
Mr. & Mrs. Baron M. Hartley
Charles & Cynthia Hartwell
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Heinemann
Mr. & Mrs. Eugene F. Houlihan
Dr. & Mrs. Joseph E. D. Humphries
Nason A. Hurowitz,
Martha P. Grace
James C. Hurowitz, MD
Doreen B. Brettler, MD
Russell & Susan Isaac
Mr. & Mrs. William D. Kelleher, Jr.
Joy and Clement Lanza
David Levitin/Elana Rosenbaum
Mr. & Mrs. Roland Lizotte, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Lorusso
Mr. & Mrs. Andrew B. Matthew, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. William R. Moore
Marie & Gordon Newcomb
Mr. & Mrs. Michael J. O'Shea
Mr. & Mrs. Eric B. Pearson
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Pendell
David Ploss & Elizabeth Beard
Marion & Dick Radnor
Mr. & Mrs. Clyde S. Reynolds
Mr. & Mrs. Lincoln M. Rhodes
Mr & Mrs. Robert N. Sawdon
Mr. & Mrs. Sumner Silver
John S. Sloan
Mr. & Mrs. David B. Stevens
Janice & Dean Stickles
Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Stuart
Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence S. Student
Mr. & Mrs. William T. Van Atten
Mr. & Mrs. Earle R. Vickery, Jr.
Mrs. Karen Zaikis

ASSOCIATE
Michael A. Beck
Dr. & Mrs. Robert Harper
Andrew G. & Nancy P. Hicks
Edward & Sylvia Hoogasian
Mr. & Mrs. D. Kelleher
Tina & Stanley Marcinczyk
Michael Miller & Lorraine
Scricco-Miller
Jane M. Peck
Mr. & Mrs. Robert P. Powers
Arnold L. Rustay
Mildred & Albert Sanders
Jane M. Snell & Anne E. Good

CONTRIBUTING
Eugenia & Eugene Pelletier
Mr. & Mrs. Stanley G. Walker

ORGANIZATIONS
Berlin Country Gardeners
Colony Retirement Homes
Homemaker's Club of Sturbridge
Milford Town Library
Sterling Garden Club
Wachusett Garden Club

The Society has learned of the deaths of the following members during 1987:

Marion Akeley
Edward Cary
Mr. & Mrs. Eldon S. Chapman
Francis T. Chapman
Robert H. Hunt
H. Waite Hurlburt
Britta Jeppson
Roger Langley
Anna P. Lindquist
Marguerite Longstreet
Dorothea Waters Moran
Peter Stapor
Hugo Tobiesen
Edwin T. White
Marie M. Wirt

REPORT OF THE PLANT COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

As projected, the Plant Collections Committee completed the Plant Collections Management Policy for the Tower Hill Botanic Garden in 1987. The Committee feels that the Policy will serve as a clear guide in the development and management of the plant collections. This report marks my last responsibility as Chairman of the Plant Collections Committee as I have accepted a position with Winterthur Museum and Gardens in Wilmington, Delaware.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Buchter, *Chairman*
PLANT COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE
David Longland
Roger Mezitt
Kerry Walter
Darrell Probst
Karen Probst

(The Policy follows in its entirety)

(Revised 7/14/1988)

PLANT COLLECTIONS POLICY OF THE WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY AT THE TOWER HILL BOTANIC GARDEN

I. Introduction

The Plant Collections of the Worcester County Horticultural Society at the Tower Hill Botanic Garden will be used for educational programs, display, research and cultivar preservation. The Plant Collections are to be consistent with the purposes of the Society as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws.

A. Formulation and Management of this Document

The responsibility for the establishment of the Plant Collections Policy is vested in the Society's Board of Trustees. The Plant Collections Committee is responsible for defining the policy governing the development and management of the Plant Collections. The Executive Director is responsible for the administra-

tion of the policy. The Grounds Manager will implement the policy in conjunction with appropriate staff members.

The Plant Collections Committee shall consist of one representative of the Board of Trustees who will be appointed by the President of the Board and will chair the Plant Collections Committee, (See Appendix A for Job Description) the Executive Director, the Grounds Manager, and a staff person from the Education Department. Two additional individuals will be selected from outside of the institution by the Plant Collections Committee to serve for not more than two consecutive three-year terms. As the Society grows, the most appropriate staff members representing the Horticulture and Education Departments will serve on the committee with the total number of committee members not to exceed six. All members of this committee will have voting privileges.

The Committee shall meet prior to the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees and as requested by the Committee Chairperson, the President of the Board, or the Executive Director. A dated record will be kept of actions confirmed by vote. The Chairperson of the Committee shall report to the membership at the annual meeting and upon the request of the Board of Trustees.

Revisions and exceptions to this document will be made as deemed appropriate by the Plant Collections Committee upon approval of the Board of Trustees. The Plant Collections Committee will review and/or update this document every five (5) years or sooner if needed. Review date: 1992.

B. Statement of Purpose for the Plant Collections of the Tower Hill Botanic Garden

The purpose of the Plant Collections Policy is to guide the development and management of the Plant Collections of the Tower Hill Botanic Garden and to help achieve the purpose of the Worcester County Horticultural Society, that is:

> **The Society shall be operated as an educational organization for the purpose of advancing the science, and encouraging and improving the practice of horticulture.** (March 3, 1842)

The stated objectives of the Society that directly relate to the Plant Collections are as follows:

> **To establish a botanic garden of the highest educational and horticultural quality at Tower Hill display-**

ing superior woody and herbaceous plants suited to on site conditions, and to develop, test, introduce and disseminate selected taxa.

To promote appreciation for horticulture in its relationship to wildlife, ecology, and other aspects of the natural environment.

II. Plant Collections*

A. Collection Classification and Purpose

In furthering the goals of the Horticultural Society and to comply with the design philosophy of Tower Hill Botanic Garden, (See Appendix B) the Plant Collections shall be divided into three major categories — Ornamental, Economic and Ecologic Horticulture. Efforts will be made to complement and not compete with or repeat plant collections of existing horticultural organizations within central New England. Plants within the collections must fulfill at least one of the purposes from at least one of the following categories:

1. Ornamental Horticulture*

a. To promote the use of woody and herbaceous plants of superior garden performance* and suited to the cultural conditions, either indoors or out, at Tower Hill. Plants with more than one season of interest will be given the highest priority.

Garden performance:

Flower — quality (length of bloom, substance, fragrance, size, form, durability, and color retention, texture and color).

Foliage — color, substance, texture, form, persistence and durability.

Bark — texture, color.

Fruit — color, persistence, size and quantity.

Growth Habit and Character — form, structure, silhouette, pest and disease resistance, drought tolerance, absence of objectionable maintenance characteristics.

Note: Valuable plants that require high maintenance or have other objectionable characteristics* may be used in areas where these characteristics do not pose a maintenance problem, health or safety hazard.

b. To cultivate uncommon plant species*, cultivars* and landmark varieties.*

2. **Economic Horticulture***
   a. To promote economic horticulture through aesthetically displayed and creatively interpreted collections of superior fruits, nuts, herbs and vegetables.
   b. To maintain the collection of pre-twentieth century apple varieties established in April 1973 as the S. Lothrop Davenport Preservation Orchard on the property of Old Sturbridge Village, henceforth called 'The Davenport Collection'; to add superior pre-twentieth century varieties as determined by standard references (See Appendix C for list of references) to the existing collection; and to disseminate propagules of the entire collection to interested persons.
3. **Ecologic Horticulture***
   a. To document and manage the plants indigenous to Tower Hill.
   b. To promote the use of woody and herbaceous plants attractive as food and shelter to wildlife in an appropriate habitat setting.
   c. To preserve and enhance the unique natural areas of Tower Hill.

B. Designated Garden Areas

Each garden space at Tower Hill must have a written purpose that reflects the objectives of the Society and of the Plant Collections Policy. Guidelines for the development of the Permanent Collections of each Designated Garden Area and a plant list should accompany the purpose.

The Grounds Manager, in consultation with appropriate staff and consultants, will draft the purpose, guidelines and plant lists that are subject to the approval of the Plant Collections Committee and the Board of Trustees. These documents will be attached to this policy.

III. Acquisition* of Plants

A. Methods for Acquisition*

Plants may be acquired through purchase, collection, gift or loan and must meet all of the General Criteria for Acquisitions listed in this document.

1. **Purchase**
2. **Collection**
3. **Gifts**

All gifts of living plants must be unconditional. Before accepting plant gifts, a **Deed of Gift Record** (Appendix D) will be signed by the donor and the Executive Director of the Worcester County Horticultural Society. Rejection of gifts will include an explanation that these plants are, by Board policy, not acceptable at the present time for inclusion in the Plant Collections. The staff of the Worcester County Horticultural Society **will not** make appraisals of gifts.

Extensive gifts of plants or collections must be accompanied by sufficient endowment to enable curatorial and general maintenance. The Plant Collections Committee must approve these gifts and has the right to waive the endowment requirement upon the approval of the Board. If an endowed collection is deaccessioned, the endowment will be redirected within the budget for the management of the plant collections.

4. **Loans**

The Executive Director in consultation with appropriate staff members will be responsible for accepting incoming loans and granting outgoing loans. Major or extensive loans of plants must be approved by the Plant Collections Committee. A **Receipt for Loans** and a **Loan Agreement** (See Appendix E & F) will be signed by the donor and the Executive Director of the Worcester County Horticultural Society.

B. General Criteria for Acquisition*

1. The taxon* fulfills one or more of the objectives in Section I.B. of this Plant Collections Policy.
2. The taxon can be grown at the Tower Hill Botanic Garden under reasonable cultural practices.
3. The Worcester County Horticultural Society can properly relocate and care for the acquisition in terms of staff, facilities, space in the garden, and money for curatorial and general maintenance.
4. Each taxon must be true to name in the judgment of the professional staff.
5. The taxon has no known objectionable characteristics* according to the judgment of the professional staff.
6. Each taxon acquired must have a documented garden location or use.

IV. Accession of Plants

A. Permanent Collection

For purposes of comprehensive plant records*, all plants in the Permanent Collection* must be accessioned*. An **Accession Record** (See Appendix G) will be completed for each taxon upon accession. Exceptions to this rule include lawn grasses and plants indigenous to the site. Indigenous plants of exceptional merit may be accessioned.

Plants not in the Permanent Collection; e.g. plants for sale, plants for gifts, plants on incoming loan, annuals, plants in the nursery, plants for research and plants for educational purposes that are not planted on the grounds, **will not** be accessioned. Annuals or tender perennials which are regenerated at the Tower Hill Botanic Garden and are treated as part of the Permanent Collection will be accessioned.

Plants of questionable superior quality will be grown in a test area of the nursery. Such plants will be evaluated in writing, annually, by the Plant Collections Committee. (See Appendix for Evaluation Form). The time that they spend in the nursery will be limited to up to two years for herbaceous plants and up to five years for woody plants. After this time, or sooner depending on the decision of the Plant Collections Committee, the plants will be incorporated into the gardens or disposed of.

B. Research* Collection

Plants brought into the grounds for research purposes will not be accessioned as part of the Permanent Collection. A **Research Record** (See Appendix H) will be completed for each taxon upon acquisition.

C. Nursery Collection

Plants being held in the nursery will not be accessioned until they are planted out on the grounds as part of the Permanent Collection. A **Nursery Record** (See Appendix I) will be completed for each acquisition in the nursery upon receipt. Plants may be held in the nursery only for one or more of the following reasons:

1. The plant is being propagated for display, distribution or sale and is not of display size or quality. Stock plants used for propagation may remain in the nursery and be used solely for propagation if they consistently remain of less than display quality because of their use for propagation. (Examples: Plants with an invasive seeding character may be prevented from

going to seed on the grounds, but allowed to go to seed under more controlled conditions in the nursery, biennials in their first year.

2. Rare and/or endangered plants that are difficult to obtain may remain in the nursery for use in propagation as parent plants while their propagules are made a part of the Permanent Collection for display purposes.
3. The plant may be part of a research project not appropriate for the display areas.
4. The plant is being used solely for educational purposes.
5. Cutting garden flowers may be grown in the nursery in the case that the cutting capacity of the display areas do not meet the needs of the Society without detracting from the display.
6. Plants of questionable superior quality may be grown in the nursery to determine their display value.

V. Deaccessioning of Plants

A. Procedure for Deaccessioning

All deaccessions must be recommended by the Grounds Manager in consultation with appropriate staff members and approved by the Executive Director. Any staff member may propose or protest a deaccession. Major deaccessions must be approved by the Collections Committee. All deaccessions must be reported to the Collections Committee by the Grounds Manager on a timely basis.

Plants **may** be deaccessioned if they meet one or more of the following criteria:

1. The accession is found not to fulfill at least one of the general criteria for acquisition as follows:
   (1) The taxon fulfills one or more of the objectives in Section I.B. of this Plant Collections Policy.
   (2) The taxon can be grown at the Tower Hill Botanic Garden under reasonable cultural practices.
   (3) The Worcester County Horticultural Society can properly relocate and care for the acquisition in terms of staff, facilities, space in the garden, and money for maintenance.
   (4) Each taxon must be true to name in the judgment of the professional staff.
   (5) The taxon has no known objectionable characteristics according to the judgment of the professional staff.

(6) Each taxon acquired must have a documented garden location or use.

2. The accession has deteriorated, died, or been stolen.
3. The accession is to be or has been replaced with a more desirable accession.
4. Endangered taxa can be deaccessioned only if they are stolen or safely established at a similar facility.

B. Dedicated Plants

Plants which have been planted in honor or memory of a person are subject to the rules of deaccessioning and disposal. If such a plant is deaccessioned before the end of its natural life span, then the Society will replace it with an appropriate specimen or reassign the dedication to a plant in another location. All dedicated plants will be recorded in a journal. Where practical, the record will include the following information.

1. Botanical name.
2. Accession number.
3. Date of accession.
4. Location in the garden.
5. Person by whom or for whom the plant was dedicated.
6. That person's relationship to the Worcester County Horticultural Society, if any.
7. Comments.

VI. Disposal of Plants

Disposal of deaccessioned taxa may occur by sale, donation, exchange or destruction. The Grounds Manager is responsible for the proper disposal of deaccessioned plants. Monies obtained from the sale of deaccessioned plants will be deposited into a fund for plant collections acquisition and maintenance.

VII. Maintenance

The Grounds Manager is responsible for the maintenance of collections and for the maintenance records. All staff associated with the collections are responsible for the welfare of the plants under their care. Maintenance considerations will be taken into account in the design of the plantings of the Tower Hill Botanic Garden.

VIII. Plant Records

The Grounds Manager is responsible for the management of the plant records system. The staff is responsible for the implementation of the plant records system. Summaries of accession, deaccession, and evaluation activities will be regularly reported to the Executive Director by the Grounds Manager.

Duplicates of records deemed appropriate by the Grounds Manager will be kept at a site separate from the plant records office.

The plant records system at the Tower Hill Botanic Garden will include but not be limited to the components listed below:

A. Records Required of All Accessions

1. Accession Records
   a. Botanical name (cite author and reference)
   b. Source of material/Date of acquisition
   c. Accession number
   d. Location in garden/Purpose
   e. Date of accession
2. Deaccession Records
   a. Date of deaccession
   b. Reason for deaccessioning
   c. Method of disposal
3. Mapping Records

B. Additional Records (where appropriate)

1. Evaluation Records
2. Propagation Records
3. Federal and State Regulation Records
4. Gift Records
5. Loan Records

IX. Public Access

Public access to the grounds, records and plant material of the Tower Hill Botanic Garden will be granted with the following provisions.

A. Grounds

The visiting public has access to designated areas during specified hours. Public accessibility and the welfare of the collections will be considered in the design and interpretation of the collections.

B. Plant Records

Public use of the plant records is allowed with an appointment and the assistance of a staff member.

C. Plant Material

Permission from the Grounds Manager is required to take propagules from the Plant Collections. All collecting will be done by the staff or under staff supervision. An appropriate fee may

be charged to cover the cost of staff time and materials.

A distribution program will be developed to disseminate desirable plant materials.

GLOSSARY

Accession — A plant or group of plants of the same botanical name, acquired at the same time from a single source that is (are) recorded in the plant records system.

Accessioning — The process by which an acquisition is sequentially recorded in the plant records system.

Acquiring or Acquisition — The process of obtaining any taxon by gift, purchase, exchange, loan, or collection for consideration as part of the Plant Collections.

Acquisition — An acquired taxon.

Cultivar — A plant under cultivation that differs from other members of the same species in one or more significant characteristics. A cultivar may be derived from an abnormal individual in the wild, be developed through hybridization or be selected under cultivation. It is maintained in cultivation primarily through vegetative propagation or by selection because of its unique characteristics. Cultivar names are capitalized and should be placed within single quotation marks or preceded by cv. (abbreviation for cultivar). They are not underlined.

Deaccessioning — The process whereby an unwanted or dead accession is removed from the active part of the plant records system.

Disposal — The removal of deaccessioned plants from the property. 'Disposal' is distinguished from 'deaccessioning' as it refers to the physical removal of the plant itself, not removal from the plant records system.

Ecologic Horticulture — The maintenance and/or enhancement of the natural environment to promote the harmonious relationship between wildlife and man.

Economic Horticulture — The cultivation of plants for man's benefit for reasons other than ornament, e.g. culinary, medicinal, fragrance, fiber, etc.

Landmark Variety — A plant variety or cultivar that is considered a great achievement in horticultural history.

Non-accessioned Plants — Plants that have been acquired by the Society but are not recorded in the plant records system; e.g. plants for sale, plants on incoming loan, plants for educational purposes that are not planted on the grounds, annuals, or plants treated as annuals, plants in the nursery, plants for research and plants for gifts.

Objectionable Characteristic — That which makes a plant undesirable for cultivation in a public garden. Characteristics considered objectionable are as follows:

1. Vigorous and uncontrollable growth.
2. Prolific seed production to the point of becoming a weed problem within the garden or within the wild.
3. Chemicals within the plant that cause health or safety hazards to a majority of persons.
4. A plant that puts excessive economic demand on the resources of the garden.
5. A plant that is an alternate host to a disease that is considered destructive to valuable plants in the collection or in the wild.

Ornamental Horticulture — The cultivation of plants for decorative purposes.

Permanent Collection — Plants established on the grounds that are an integral part of the Tower Hill Botanic Garden on a year to year basis.

Plant Collections — All living plants within the territories owned by the Worcester County Horticultural Society.

or

All plants used for display, education, conservation and/or research by the Worcester County Horticultural Society.

Plant Records — A system that documents useful information regarding the plant collections of the Society.

Research — Investigation or experimentation aimed at discovery or interpretation of facts. Applied research is the practical application of general principles to solve definite problems. Pure or basic research does not seek specific solutions to particular problems but instead seeks generalized knowledge.

Superior Garden Performance — Determination of superiority will be made through recommendations of knowledgeable authorities, e.g. other horticultural institutions, plant societies, respected horticulturists and knowledgeable staff members.

Taxon (plural: taxa) — A general term used for a taxonomic group of any rank without being specific; e.g. genus, species, variety, form, cultivar.

Uncommon Plant Species or Uncommon Plant Cultivars — Plants that are of special merit or garden value that are not commonly cultivated in this area.

APPENDIX A

Job Description of the Chairperson of the Plant Collections Committee

1. The Chairperson must be a current member of the Worcester County Horticultural Society Board of Trustees.
2. The Chairperson can serve in this capacity for no more than two consecutive three-year terms. The Chairperson who has served the maximum term may be re-elected after an interval of not less than one year.
3. The Chairperson is accountable to the Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees.
4. The Chairperson must have a basic understanding of the Plant Collections at the Tower Hill Botanic Garden.
5. The Chairperson must report annually to the membership at the annual meeting. The Chairperson must also report to the Board of Trustees upon request.
6. The Chairperson facilitates the review of the Plant Collections Policy every five years, or sooner if deemed appropriate.
7. The Chairperson facilitates the Plant Collections Committee review and approval of extensive gifts, extensive loans, research projects and all major revisions, deletions or additions to the Plant Collections Policy.
8. The Chairperson is responsible for the selection of members of the Plant Collections Committee.
9. The Chairperson facilitates the review process for the guidelines, purpose statements and plant lists for each of the Designated Garden Areas as the need arises.
10. The Chairperson is responsible for insuring that the Committee supports the Executive Director in the administration of the Plant Collections Policy as set forth and approved by the Board of Trustees.

APPENDIX B

Design Philosophy for the Tower Hill Botanic Garden

1. Choice of plants, individual garden design and overall design of the grounds will be planned for year-round interest.
2. The gardens will be designed in harmony with the existing natural landscape and with a minimum of environmental disturbance.
3. Plant culture will be a major educational and interpretive theme throughout the collections, and the garden design will emphasize the pairing of the cultural requirements of plants with the natural environmental conditions of the site.
4. The design of the gardens will emphasize and display attractive and culturally compatible plant combinations.

APPENDIX C

Standard References for Pre-Twentieth Century Apple Varieties

The Apples of New York, (S.A. Beach, 1905)
The New American Orchardist (William Kendrick, 1835)
Book of Fruits, (Robert Manning, 1838)
'Apple Varieties in Maine' (Thesis — Frederick Charles Bradford, University of Maine, Orono, 1911)
The American Fruit Book, (S.W. Cole, 1849)
Fruits of America, (C.M. Hovey, 1851)
Fruits and Fruit Trees of America, (A.J. Downing, 1869)
The Culture, Management of Fruit Trees, William Forsyth, 1803)
A Practical Treatise on the Management of Fruit Trees, (George Jaques, 1849)
The American Fruit Culturist (John Thomas, 1903)

APPENDIX D

Tower Hill Botanic Garden Deed of Gift Record

Date _____

I hereby donate without limiting conditions to the Worcester County Horticultural Society the following articles to be the absolute property of the Society:

Quantity Name & Description/Condition Appraised Value

Donor Signature _____

Address _____

ZIP _____ Phone _____

Appraiser's Signature _____

Address _____ ZIP _____ Phone _____

Approved by Executive Director _____

Date _____

Received by _____

Date _____

Major gifts approved by the Plant Collections Committee

Signature of Chairperson _____

Amount of Endowment _____

Endowment Waived — Signature of Chairperson _____

APPENDIX E

Tower Hill Botanic Garden Receipt for Loan

From _____

Address _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____

the following items as a loan to the Worcester County Horticultural Society

for a period from _____ to _____.

Description Value

It is my understanding that the above items loaned to the Worcester County Horticultural Society are subject to the following conditions.

1. For the period of the loan the items may be displayed, stored or otherwise used by the Society at its discretion, subject to exercising the same care and decision in such display, use and storage as is customary in dealing with similar items owned by the Society.
2. The Society will insure each item against casualties for the period of the loan and in the amounts shown on this receipt as the value of each item. It is agreed that the liability of the Society for loss or damage thereby ceases and is replaced by the liability of the insurance company.
3. It is further agreed that each item will, while on display, be identified as the property of the lender.
4. After receiving reasonable notice, the Society will return items loaned from the lender on presentation of this receipt.
5. Any item that has been left with the Society on loan for a period of five years from the date hereof, and without having a request been made for its return, shall in consideration for its storage and safeguarding during said time be deemed an unrestricted gift to the Worcester County Horticultural Society and shall thereupon become the property of the Society.

Signature _____ Date _____

Executive Director _____ Date _____

Received by _____ Date _____

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To be signed upon return of items.

Date _____ Received from the Worcester County Horticultural Society the above listed items.

By _____

APPENDIX F

Tower Hill Botanic Garden Loan Agreement

From the Worcester County Horticultural Society.

To _____

Address _____

_____ ZIP _____ Phone _____

the following items for _____

_____

for the period from _____ to _____

Description Value

Special Treatment

Materials from the Society's collection may require special treatment or handling as indicated above; the recipient is responsible for the return of the objects in the same condition in which they were loaned. The borrower is also responsible for insurance coverage in the amounts indicated until the objects have been returned to the Society.

Received _____ Executive Director _____

Date _____

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Loan Extended to _____

Executive Director _____

APPENDIX G

Tower Hill Botanic Garden Accession Record

(Minimum Information Required)

Botanical Name _____

Accession Number _____ Author/Registrant _____

Common Name _____ Family _____

Location/Purpose _____

Accession # _____ P.I.# _____ Source _____

Date Received _____ How received _____

Approximate age at time of receipt _____

Number received _____ Nativity _____

Deaccession Date _____

Reason for Deaccession _____

Method of Disposal _____

Other Information/Historic Reference:

APPENDIX H

Tower Hill Botanic Garden Research Record

Botanical Name _____ PI# _____

Date Received _____ How rec'd _____ Number _____

Source _____

Additional Information _____

APPENDIX I

Tower Hill Botanic Garden Nursery Record

(Minimum Information Required)

Botanical Name _____

Location in Nursery _____

Purpose _____

Date Received _____ How rec'd _____ Number _____

Expiration Date _____

Source _____ PI# _____

Additional Information _____

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

Compared to the rigors of the 1986 move of the Society's collection of books, 1987 proved a tranquil year for the library and an enjoyable year for your library committee. Throughout the year, I was joined at our meetings by John Trexler, Karen Probst, our Librarian, Julie O'Shea and the ever faithful Bob Florsheim. Our committee met on a fairly frequent basis, the frequency due as much to the congeniality of our members as the requirements of our business.

New by-laws were drawn up and adopted by our committee. They are expected to assist new staff of the Society by laying out the procedures of the library and anticipate regular meetings of our committee to approve acquisitions.

Much time was spent on the subject of restoration of our many valuable volumes in deteriorated condition. Periodicals are now stored in 136 "phase" boxes to prevent further deterioration. More elaborate "clam-shell" boxes were fitted at greater expense to our most valuable books with the same goal in sight. In addition, we made contact with an excellent firm of local restorers who go by the name of the Green Dragon Bindery, Inc. They are both less expensive and superior in quality of workmanship to the firm previously employed. Eight volumes were beautifully restored by the Green Dragon this past year at a cost of $905.00.

We hope to regularize a program of restoring some eight to twelve volumes a year. This number meets both our ability to pay and the capacity of the restorers to take on our work. It is not a dramatic goal but if we can meet it on a responsible and ongoing basis, we should be able to avoid finding ourselves one day having lost one of the chief assets of the Society due to neglect in favor of more exciting projects. Matching grants are generally available from the State to assist in restoration. We have made use of these in the past and received a new $1,300.00 grant to be paid over two years. We shall continue to look for ways to ensure that monies will be available to restore our books without proving a financial burden to the Society at a time when there are so many other needs.

We also discussed the deaccession of redundant volumes. Due to the sensitive nature of the subject we are moving slowly but anticipate progress in the coming year.

A total of 78 books were added to the collection in 1987 of which 22 were gifts and 56 were purchased with library funds. Those funds consisted in part of $495.55 received from the Proctor Fund and $519.05 from the Converse Fund.

Thanks and praise are due our Librarian, Julie O'Shea. She is excellent at her job, a welcoming presence to visitors who enter from the rear door, and a wonderful cook as she proved at our happiest meeting, a luncheon with Walter Punch, the Librarian of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, at Tower Hill.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeremy O'Connell, *Chairman*
LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Library Book Additions from December, 1985 through December, 1987

A1	Hill, Lewis; *Cold Climate Gardening*; Garden Way Publishing, 1987
	Rockwell, Frederick; *Around the Year in the Garden*; Macmillan Co., 1930
	Pearson, Robert, ed.; *Wisley Book of Gardening*; W. W. Norton and Co., 1983
Ref A1	*Massachusetts Horticultural Society*; Plant Science Directory; 1987
	Taylor, Edward, ed.; *Taylor's Encyclopedia of Gardening*; 3rd ed; Houghton Mifflin Co., 1957
	County Agents 1986-87; Century Communications, 1986
	Nursery Sources of Native Plants and Wildflowers; New England Wildflower Society, 1987
A3	Coon, Nelson; *Nursery Sales and Management*; A. T. de la Mare Co., Inc., 1931
	Pierik, R. L. M.; *In Vitro Culture of Higher Plants*; Martinus Nijhoff, 1987
Ref A3	Dirr, Michael, Heuser, Charles; *Reference Manual of Woody Plant Propagation*; Varsity Press Inc., 1987
Ref B5	Sinclair, W., Lyon, H. & Johnson, W.; *Diseases of Trees and Shrubs*; Cornell University Press, 1987
B54	Carr, Anna; *Rodale's Color Handbook of Garden Insects*; Rodale Press, 1986
Ref B53	MacNab, A. A.; *Identifying Diseases of Vegetables*; Pennsylvania State University Press, 1983
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C1	Lloyd, Christopher; *Foliage Plants*; Random House, 1973
	Ingwersen, Will; *Classic Garden Plants*; Collingridge, 1975
	Fox, Robin Lane; *Better Gardening*; David R. Godine, Inc., 1986
	Cox, Jeff & Marilyn; *The Perennial Garden*; Rodale Press, 1985
	Thomas, Graham Stuart; *Perennial Garden Plants*; J. M. Dent and Sons Ltd., 1982

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C41 McDonald, Elvin, Ed.; *Handbook for Greenhouse Gardeners*; Lord and Burham, 1967

Bartholomew, A. et al.; *Conservatories, Greenhouses and Garden Rooms*; Holt, Rinehart & Winston, 1985

Ref C41 Kohlmaier, G. & von Sartory, B; *Houses of Glass*; MIT Press, 1986

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Ref C43 Shakery, Karen, ed.; *Ortho's Complete Guide to Successful Houseplants*; Chevron Chemical Co., 1984

C44 Koreshoff, D.; *Bonsai: Its Art, Science...*; Timber Press, 1984

C61 Schact, W.; *Rock Gardens*; Universe Books, 1981

C62 Paul, Anthony & Rees, Yvonne; *The Water Garden*; Viking Press, 1986

Russell, Stanley; *The Stapeley Book of Water Gardens*; David and Charles, 1985

C63 Martin, Laura C.; *The Wildflower Meadow Book*; Fast and McMillan, 1986

Art, Henry W.; *A Garden of Wildflowers*; Storey Communications, 1986

Phillips, Harry; *Growing and Propagating Wildflowers*; University of North Carolina Press, 1985

C65 Littlefield, Susan; *Seaside Gardening*; Simon & Schuster, 1986

C66 Douglas, William; *Hillside Gardening*; Simon & Schuster, 1987

C83 Rix, Martin & Phillips, Roger; *The Bulb Book*; Pan Books, Ltd., 1981

C9ca Brown, Milton, ed.; *American Camellia Yearbook, 1986*; American Camellia Society, 1985

Ref C9az Galle, Fred C.; *Azaleas*; Timber Press, 1985

Ref C9c Cullman, W., Gotz, E. & Groner, G.; *The Encyclopedia of Cacti*; Alphabooks, 1986

C9d Brickell, C.D. & Mathew, B.; *Daphne: The Genus in the Wild and Cultivation*; Alpine Garden Society, 1976

C9g Yeo, Peter F.; *Hardy Geraniums*; Timber Press, 1986

C9h Stout, A. B.; *Daylilies*; Sagapress Inc., 1986

C9i Mathew, Brian; *The Iris*; Universe Books, 1981

Warburton, B., ed.; *The World of Irises*; American Iris Society, 1978

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Green, Roy; *Asiatic Primulas*; Alpine Garden Society, 1976

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Ref C9r Beales, Peter; *Classic Roses*; Holt, Rinehart & Winston, 1985

D1 Gessert, Kate R.; *The Beautiful Food Garden*; Garden Way Publishing, 1987

D3 Boxer, A. & Back, P.; *The Herb Book*; William H. Smith Publishing, Inc., 1986

London, Sheryl & Mel; *The Herb and Spice Cookbook*; Rodale Press, 1986

Shaudys, Phyllis; *The Pleasure of Herbs*; Garden Way Publishing, 1986

D4 Rom, Roy & Carlson, R., ed.; *Rootstocks for Fruit Crops*; John Wiley & Sons, 1987

E6 Hall, Walter; *Garden and Yard Power Tools*; Rodale Press, 1983

G334 Procter, Noble; *Garden Birds*; Rodale Press, 1985

The Edge of the Meadow; Audio tape narrated by J. Baird; Droll Yankees, Inc., 1969

Voices of the Loon; Audio tape narrated by Robert J. Lurtsema; North American Loon Fund, 1980

L1 Alexander, Rosemary & Pasley, Anthony; *The English Gardening School*; Weidenfeld & Nicholson, 1987

Laurie, Michael; *Introduction to Landscape Architecture*; Elsevier Publishers, 1986

L41 Hobhouse, Penelope, *Gertrude Jekyll on Gardening*; David R. Godine, 1984

Puma, Joan; *The Complete Urban Gardener*; Harper & Row, 1985

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Thomas, Graham Stuart; *The Art of Planting*; David R. Godine, 1984

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L69 Evans, Hazel; *The Patio Garden*; Viking Press, 1985

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REPORT OF THE EXHIBITIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

In 1987 the Worcester County Horticultural Society staged three flower shows. The staff, volunteers and cooperating organizations were responsible for the coordination and execution of these shows as the Exhibitions Committee remained Chairpersonless when Paul Trudeau's term as Trustee expired. The Exhibitions Committee did not meet in 1987.

The Worcester Spring Flower Show was held February 26 through 28; 10 AM-9 PM and March 1; 10 AM-5 PM. It drew a record attendance of 19,300 visitors during its debut at the Centrum in downtown Worcester. Exhibits numbered 127. A cast iron Victorian fountain given to the Worcester County Horticultural Society by member Robert Cushman was staged amidst a skirt of yellow primroses and served as the focal point for the show. The fountain was later moved to the Tower Hill Botanic Garden. WCHS educational staff created 'One Person's Trash is Another Person's Treasure' — a garden exhibit to promote community gardening.

The Show was a joint venture between Chevalier Associates, Inc., the Centrum and the Worcester County Horticultural Society. It netted a profit of $11,000 for WCHS.

The annual Lily & Summer Garden Show, a cooperative venture between the New England Regional Lily Group and the Worcester County Horticultural Society, was held at the Boylston Town House July 11; Noon-6 PM and July 12; 11 AM-5 PM. Ninety-plus degree temperatures daunted exhibitors and visitors with numbers of both — 425 visitors and 195 exhibits — diminished from 1986. The New England Regional Lily Group ran a concurrent Lily Judging School for its members. $99 in donations was collected.

'Tribute to Flora,' an invitational show of floral design, was staged at the Worcester Art Museum on September 29-30; 10 AM-4 PM. Worcester County Horticultural Society staff helped the Worcester Art Museum to organize the event. Thirty floral arrangements were displayed throughout the museum, many of which were created by Worcester County Horticultural Society members. WCHS staff member, Karen Probst, built two large matching arrangements in the Renaissance Court. Marco Polo

Stufano, Director of Horticulture at Wave Hill, Bronx, NY spoke on Garden Design and Karen Probst demonstrated seasonal flower arranging as part of the Show.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Probst, *Member*
EXHIBITIONS COMMITTEE

1987 Lectures, Workshops

Sat. Jan. 17; 11 AM- 1 PM Tower Hill Walk — John Trexler, WCHS

Mon. Jan. 19; 7:30-8 PM African Violets — Bob McGoldrick, Green Thumb (Cancelled — instructor illness)

Sat. Jan. 24; 10-Noon Care & Cultivation of Bromeliads — Paul Carlberg, New England Bromeliad Society

Wed. Feb. 11; 6:30-9 PM Heart Shaped Eucalyptus Wreath Workshop — Daria, Janda & Kathy DiTullio, Clinton Parks Dept.

Sun. Feb. 15; Noon-4 PM Searching for that Elusive Seed — Gail Keleher, WCHS

Mon. Mar. 2, 23, Apr. 6; 10 AM-Noon Introduction to Ikebana — Mabel Maria Herweg, Floral Designer

Mon. Mar. 2, Apr. 6; 2:30-5 PM Japanese Garden Design — Mabel Maria Herweg, Floral Designer

Sat. Mar. 21; 10 AM-Noon Naturally Beautiful — Joanne Markarian, Natural Cosmetic Maker

Sat. Mar. 21, 28, Apr. 4; 2-5 PM Planning Home Landscapes — E. Dexter Davis, Editor, "Greener Gardening, Easier"

Mon. Mar. 23; 2-4 PM Houseplant Propagation — Gail Keleher, WCHS

Sat. Mar. 28; 10-11:30 AM Fruit Tree Grafting Workshop — Gladys Bozenhard, WCHS Trustee

Sat. Apr. 4; 9 AM-1:30 PM Beginning Basketry — Peg Mastey, Basketmaker

Sat. Apr. 18; 10-Noon & 2-4 PM Rose Pruning — James Denman, New England Rose Society

Fri. Apr. 24; 10 AM Hadwen Arboretum Walk — John Trexler, WCHS

Fri. Apr. 25; 10 AM-1 PM Herb Gardening Lecture — Lynn & Carissa Hartman, Hartman's Herb Farm

Sat. Apr. 25; 2-4 PM May Basket Workshop — Lynn & Carissa Hartman, Hartman's Herb Farm

Sun. Apr. 26; 12:30-3:30 PM Arbor Day Celebration at Elm Park — WCHS staff

Sun. May 3; 2-5 PM Wild Flower Walk — Paul Martin Brown, Botanist

Sat. May 9; Tower Hill Trek — John Trexler, WCHS

Sun. May 10; June 7, 28; July 19; Aug. 9, 30; Sept. 20; & Oct. 11 Perennials for All Seasons — Darrell Probst, WCHS

Thur. May 14; 7:30-9 PM Lighting and Landscape — E. Dexter Davis, Editor, "Greener Gardening, Easier"

Sat. May 30; 9 AM-3 PM Tower Hill Botanic Garden Plant Sale

Sat. Jun. 13; 10 AM-2:30 PM American & Japanese Flower Arranging — Mabel Maria Herweg, Floral Designer

Sun. Jun. 14; 11 AM-3 PM Tower Hill Family Day Picnic

Sat. Jul. 18; 11-Noon Tower Hill Trek — John Trexler, WCHS

Tues. Jul. 21; 10-Noon Pests vs. Produce — Sarah Bennett, Worcester County Cooperative Extension, Karen Probst, WCHS

Mon. Jul. 20; 7-9 PM Nature Photography Lecture — Norm Eggert, Professional photographer & Tower Hill Photographer's Forum

Sat. Jul. 25; 8-11 AM Nature Photography Workshop — Norm Eggert, Professional photographer & Tower Hill Photographer's Forum

Sun. Jul. 26; 2-5 PM Ferns — Paul Martin Brown, Botanist (Cancelled — poor registration)

Tu., Th. Aug. 4, 6, 11, 13; 10:30-Noon Botany for Beginners — Vernon Ahmadjian, Professor Clark University (Cancelled — poor registration)

Tues. Aug. 25; 10 AM-2:30 PM Sprout Day Children's Program — Karen Probst, WCHS

Thur. Sept. 17, 24 & Oct. 1; Introduction to Flower Arranging — Mabel Maria Herweg, Floral Designer

Sun. Sept. 27; 10 AM-3 PM Unique Botany of the Reservoir — Paul Martin Brown, Botanist (Cancelled — poor registration)

Tues. Oct. 6; 10 AM-1 PM Autumn Wildflower Adventure — Paul Martin Brown, Botanist

Thur. Oct. 8; 5-6 PM Williams Street Walk — John Trexler, WCHS

Thur. Oct. 8; 10-Noon Dried Design — The Williamsburg Way -- Paul Mugford, Linda Thorpe, Mugford's Flower Shoppe & Farm Stand

Sat. Oct. 17; 10-Noon A Look at Leaves — Children's Program — Karen Probst, WCHS

Sat. Oct. 17; 10-11:30 AM Tower Hill Trek — John Trexler, WCHS

Sat. Oct. 24; 3-4:30 PM Winning the War Against Winter — E. Dexter Davis, Editor, "Greener Gardening, Easier"

Sat. Nov. 14; 12:30-2 PM Perennials for Winter Interest — Darrell Probst, WCHS (Cancelled — poor registration)

Sat. Nov. 14; 1-4 PM Harvest Baskets for Beginners — Peg Mastey, Basketmaker

Sat. Nov. 14; 10-11:30 AM Dried & Pressed Flower Crafts-Cindy Brown, Craftsperson

Sat. Nov. 21; 10 AM-Noon Fall Rose Care — James Denman, New England Rose Society

Sat. Nov. 21; 2-5 PM Harvest Baskets for Beginners — Peg Mastey, Basketmaker

Fri. Dec. 4; 9 AM-Noon Holiday Arrangements — Karen Probst, WCHS

Fri. Dec. 4; 2-5 PM Fresh Wreaths — Karen Probst, WCHS

Sat. Dec. 5; 7-10 PM Fresh Wreaths — Karen Probst, WCHS

Sat. Dec. 5; 9-12:30 PM Dried Tree Sculptures — Karen Probst, WCHS

Sat. Dec. 5; 1-5 PM Crispy Critters — Karen Probst, WCHS

1987 Trips & Tours

Thur. Mar. 19; 8:30 AM-5 PM Boston Flower Show & Harvard Botanical Museum

Wed.-Sat. Jun. 17-20; Public & Private Gardens of the Delaware Valley (Wave Hill, Longwood Gardens, Lisa McGuigan, Sir John Thouron, Nemours, Mt. Cuba, Meadowbrook Farm)

Tues. Jun. 23; 8 AM-5 PM Logees Greenhouses/Caprilands Herb Farm

Fri. Jun. 26; 10 AM-3:30 PM Private Gardens of Princeton (Linda Milton, Margy Mirick, Wachusett Meadows)

Wed. Sept. 2; 10 AM-3 PM; Misty Meadows/Nashoba Valley Winery

Sat. Sept. 17; 10 AM-12 Noon Davenport Orchard/Old Sturbridge Village — John Trexler WCHS, Christie White, Lead Interpreter OSV

Tues. Sept. 22; 7:45 AM-4:45 PM Lexington Gardens/Mahoney's Rocky Ledge Nursery — Bob Thomson

1987 FLOWER SHOW AWARD WINNERS

Spring Flower Show:

The Silver Tray of the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture for the Most Meritorious Exhibit: Worcester County Landscape Gardeners' Association

The Mrs. Robert Stoddard Silver Bowl for Excellence in Design & Consistency: Worcester County Landscape Gardeners' Association

The People's Choice Award: Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.

The Silver Medal of the Worcester County Horticultural Society for Suitability and Quality of Plant Material: R. L. Hobin Company

The Louise Harrington Plaque for the Best Use of Uncommon Plant Material: Worcester County Landscape Gardeners' Association

The Professional Grounds Management Society Award for the Most Well Thought Out Exhibit in Terms of Maintenance: Bemis Farms Nursery

The Arnold Arboretum Award for Excellence in the Use of Rare and Unusual North Temperate Woody Plants in a Complementary Landscape Setting: Hardwicke Gardens

The Massachusetts Nurserymens' Association Award for Distinctive Use of Hardy Plant Material: Bigelow Nurseries, Inc.

The Guaranty Bank Best Conifer in the Show Award: Worcester County Landscape Gardeners' Association

The George B. Slater Award: Worcester County Landscape Gardeners' Association

The Mrs. Roger N. Heald Award for the Most Meritorious Garden Club Exhibit: Sudbury Garden Club

The Sharfman Jewelers Award for Excellence in Table Setting: Sudbury Garden Club

The Elouise S. Knight Award for the Best Interpretation of Theme: Worcester Garden Club

Commercial Design Plaque: Dean Florists

The Horticultural Club of Boston Award for Horticultural Perfection: Sterling Greenery

The Merrifield Bronze Medal for Excellence in an Educational Exhibit: Worcester County Beekeepers Association

Lily and Summer Garden Show
President's Trophy for Best In Show: Faith Lyman
First Time Exhibitor Award: Faith Lyman
Table Setting Award: Kristina Cullen
Lily Arrangement: Dorothy Potter
Lily Basket: Richard Jordan
Elizabeth Bishop Medal for Best Seedling: Warren Summers
Best of the Garden: Ruth Stafinski

REPORT OF THE PRESERVATION ORCHARD COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

1987 has been a year of progress and satisfaction, and my report covers the three areas involved.

WCHS continues to maintain and support the Davenport Orchard in Sturbridge. Each year we assume more responsibility for the care of the property and orchard duties, working with the Sturbridge Village people, our own volunteers, and staff. Pruning, for example, is no longer contracted out. We are trying, through Integrated Pest Management, to cut back on excessive spraying, to save costs as well as the environment. The orchard looks very nice — and again this year group tours were conducted for people to see and taste the many apple varieties. A group of school children from the Boylston School system were among the visitors. They had an unusual and enjoyable learning experience.

The Scion Program in March equaled that of the previous year in numbers of apple sticks sent out, and produced income of about $1,500. We were relieved that the ell-shaped space of the rooms at Tower Hill lent themselves nicely to the week-long packaging program. For those not familiar with this service that the Society offers, cuttings called 'scions' are taken from the apple trees in Sturbridge, and through a detailed process of recordkeeping, labeling, and finally packaging and mailing, orders from all over the United States are filled. These scions are for grafting onto a back-yard apple tree, for use by commercial nurseries and garden centers, and others interested in propagating these 'antique' varieties.

The last part of my report is the most exciting. We now have a nursery area enclosed with protective fencing. This may be seen at Tower Hill, where over one hundred grafted apple trees are growing, until transplanted to the permanent orchard. These are on semi-dwarf root stock which I grafted last spring, and were planted by Darrell Probst. We are well on our way to having all the varieties of the Sturbridge Orchard duplicated in Boylston. The site for the new Preservation Orchard has been selected, and plotted on the Master Plan — all of which brings us nearer to our goal.

Respectfully submitted,
Gladys Bozenhard, *Chairman*
PRESERVATION ORCHARD COMMITTEE
David Firmin
Marjorie Lodding
Fayre Nason
Jane Oliver
Arthur O'Mara

REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

The Tower Hill Fund as of today stands at $2,316,624. We are close to our $2.5 million goal. Helen, Phil and I want to thank all of you; chairmen, solicitors, and generous contributors for the success of our campaign to date; but, we still have $183,376 yet to raise. I understand that this is the most difficult.

Please, if you have some cards yet to be done or know of someone who might like to be a part of Tower Hill, give us a call.

Thanks again.

Respectfully submitted,
Hope Spear, *Co-Chairman*
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Philip Beals, *Co-Chairman*
Helen Stoddard, *Honorary Chairman*

REPORT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

This year we had two very worthy young men apply for our annual Procter Channin Scholarship of $1,000. The Committee bases its decision on four criteria: 1) Interest in horticulture; 2) sincerity of purpose; 3) financial need; 4) scholastic record.

After interviewing the students and reviewing the submitted information from each applicant, the Committee made its decision in May, 1987. We are pleased to announce that Scott K. Johnson, of Northborough, MA, was chosen for the 1987-88 academic year.

Scott is enrolled in the Landscape Operations Program of the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. This past fall he began his second year and seeks an Associate of Science Degree. Last year Scott stood at the top of his class with a 4.0 cumulative average.

He has also won a National Landscaping Proficiency award from the Future Farmers of America. He placed first in the local, state, and regional levels and 5th in national competition. His reward was a trip to Europe last winter, where he studied gardens and horticultural exhibits in several countries. Scott's other interests include athletics and outdoor life. He is also a very active youth leader in his church in Northborough.

Scott has worked for Bigelow Nurseries of Northborough, and this year started his own landscaping business which he hopes to continue while finishing school.

The Committee feels that Scott will be a success in his profession and is a good investment for the Horticultural Society.

Respectfully submitted
Gale Morgan, *Chairperson*
SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
Cathy Belliveau
Sally Pettit

REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

In the spring of 1987, a Personnel Committee was appointed by President Beals to assist the Executive Director with various personnel duties endemic to a growing society and staff.

The Committee, with the help of John Trexler, is writing a Personnel Policy and Salary Administration Policy, to be completed in the spring of 1988.

There were some staff changes in 1987. Gail Keleher Dalton, Educational Assistant, left in August to teach in the public schools. Her position will not be filled. Jan Irwin, Administrative Assistant, relocated to Ohio in September. She was replaced by Virginia Roberts.

The Educational Coordinator's job has been divided into two separate positions: Coordinator of Special Events and Interpretation, and Program Coordinator. Karen Probst is now responsible for botanic garden interpretation, special events such as the Spring Flower Show, smaller flower shows and the Plant Sale. The Program Coordinator, soon to be hired, will be responsible for the Society's adult and youth programs as well as the newsletter, "Grow With Us."

Julie O'Shea continues as our part-time Librarian, lending her expertise to the Worcester County Horticultural Society Library.

Ernie Morin will continue as our loyal part-time gardener, and Jack McNamara, intern, will begin in March to assist Grounds Manager, Darrel Probst, with the gardens, nursery and grounds.

I wish to thank John and the Committee: Dean Arvidson, Betty Gifford and Dick Dearborn for helping to get this necessary committee moving in the right direction.

Respectfully submitted
Linda Milton, *Chairperson*
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mr. President and Members of the
Worcester County Horticultural Society:

After careful consideration, the Nominating Committee has agreed to nominate the following individuals for the offices designated for 1988:

Executive Committee:

President:	Mr. Philip C. Beals
Vice Presidents:	Mr. Richard W. Dearborn, Mr. Robert F. Florsheim, Mrs. David (Linda) Milton, Mrs. Ivan (Hope) Spear
Treasurer:	Mr. Henry L. Rudio
Secretary:	Mrs. David (Elizabeth) Dean

Trustees: 1988-1991

Mr. George F. Bernardin
Mrs. Cushing (Gladys) Bozenhard
Mr. Thomas Buchter
Mrs. Mary V. C. Callahan
Mrs. John (Catherine) Hodgson
Mrs. Philip (Gale) Morgan

Trustee: 1988-1989

Mr. Richard Reed

Honorary Trustee:

Mrs. Richard (Betty) Gifford

Nominating Committee: 1988

Mr. Richard Dearborn
Ms. Saundra Lane
Mrs. Phillips (Laurie) Davis

Respectfully submitted,
Tammy Butler, *Chairman*
NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Richard Dearborn
Saundra Lane

1987 ANNUAL MEETING
January 21, 1988
AGENDA

1.	Call to Order	Philip Beals, *President*
2.	Secretary's Report	Elizabeth Dean
3.	Treasurer's Report	Henry Rudio
4.	Committee Reports	
	a. Finance Committee	Robert Florsheim
	b. By-Laws Committee	John Mirick
	c. Building Committee	Cushing Bozenhard
	d. Master Plan Committee	George Bernardin
	e. Membership Committee	Isabel Arms
	f. Library Committee	Jeremy O'Connell
	g. Exhibitions Committee	Karen Probst
	h. Preservation Orchard Committee	Gladys Bozenhard
	i. Plant Collections Committee	Thomas Buchter
	j. Development Committee	Hope Spear
	k. Scholarship Committee	Gale Morgan
	l. Personnel Committee	Linda Milton
	m. Nominating Committee	Tammy Butler
5.	Adjourn	

Program: 'BEYOND OUR BOUNDARIES,' The Role of Botanic Gardens in Global Plant Conservation

Speaker: Kerry S. Walter, Center for Plant Conservation

WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
MINUTES OF 1987 ANNUAL MEETING
JANUARY 21, 1988

The 1987 Annual Meeting of the Worcester County Horticultural Society was held on Thursday, January 21, 1988, in the Bancroft Room of the First Unitarian Church, Worcester.

The meeting was preceded by a reception from 4:00 to 4:30 P.M.

The business meeting was called to order at 4:40 P.M. Executive Director John W. Trexler thanked trustees and staff for their hard work during the year; special thanks were extended to Isabel Lane and Hope Spear for organizing and preparing the delicious food and punch for the reception. Mr. Trexler then introduced Philip C. Beals, Society President. President Beals greeted the approximately 110 members and friends in attendance.

A motion was made and carried to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1986 Annual Meeting.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Henry Rudio. The budget for the year ending November 30, 1987, was $202,300; we came in under budget on expenses and over budget on revenue primarily because of nice gains on securities. The Society ended the year with $1,931,667 in cash or marketable securities. The Tower Hill Capital Drive has received $1,244,000 against $2,500,000 in pledges. The amount spent thus far is $1,111,000, leaving a balance in the Capital Fund of $133,000. Cost value of plant, property and equipment was $907,962 for total assets of $2,839,629 against $30,313 in liabilities, leaving fund balances of $2,809,316.

The following committees reported:

By-Laws (John Mirick): Mr. Mirick reviewed the By-Laws proposed for adoption, pointing out that changes have been made to reflect how the Society now operates. Major changes are fewer standing committees, clarification of length of terms trustees and officers can serve, and By-Law amendment by trustees or by members at the annual meeting. Mr. Mirick moved the adoption of the new By-Laws; the motion was seconded and voted.

Finance (Robert F. Florsheim): Mr. Florsheim reported that at the beginning of the fiscal year the Society's total investable funds amounted to $791,000. By the end of the year, these funds had increased to $1,924,000 as a result of contributions, portfolio appreciation and investment income. Portfolio appreciation amounted to $289,000, dividends and interest to $64,000 for a total investment return of $353,000. Equities were sold in two steps in September and moved into Treasury bill funds, preserving the Society's capital gain for the year. President Beals commented, "Are we ever lucky!" and followed with a commendation for Mr. Florsheim and the Finance Committee's management.

Building Committee (Cushing Bozenhard): Mr. Bozenhard reported that much work had been done by the staff during the year: painting, gardening, temporary gravel on the parking lot and a fence around the orchard. The biggest accomplishment was hiring Juster, Pope, Frazier as architect for the new Visitors' Center; the final architectural program is now being determined.

Master Plan (George Bernardin): Mr. Bernardin indicated that it had been a very active year, previewed a year ago by Geoff Rausch. A delay was caused by difficulty in finding land that would percolate. Once found, Mr. Rausch could proceed; the Society is now in the process of narrowing in on basic elements while awaiting the architect's final "footprint." A June 21 presentation is hoped for.

Membership (Isabel Arms): Miss Arms reported that the committee had recommended for the Board's approval increasing the dues to $25 for single memberships, $35 for family; had assisted with enhanced membership activity.

Library (Jeremy O'Connell): Mr. O'Connell reported on a tranquil, congenial year. By-laws were revised, time spent on restoration, placing publications in phase boxes and precious volumes in clamshell boxes. The Committee hopes to regularize restoration in order to preserve important assets of the Society. A $1,000 grant was received, de-accession was discussed; twenty-two gift books were received, fifty-six purchased. He thanked Librarian, Julie O'Shea.

Exhibition (Karen Probst): Mrs. Probst spoke of the successful First Spring Flower Show in the Centrum with increased interest on the part of all classes of exhibitors. Visitors numbered 19,300, and a net profit of $11,000 was realized. July's Lily and Garden Show in the Boylston Town House attracted 425 visitors, many of whom went on to Tower Hill; Tribute to Flora in conjunction with the Worcester Art Museum was also successful.

Orchard (Gladys Bozenhard): Mrs. Bozenhard reported that 1987 had been a year of progress and satisfaction. The Davenport Orchard in Sturbridge is cared for by the Society; we no longer contract out the pruning; integrated pest management is used. The scion program remained at last year's level with $1,500 income; packaging at Tower Hill went well. Over 100 apple trees, grafted by Mrs. Bozenhard and planted by Darrell Probst are now growing in the Tower Hill nursery.

Plant Collections (Thomas Buchter): Mr. Buchter reported that it had been an exciting year because the committee was essentially preparing the way, setting forth the method and criteria for acquisition of plants which will be for ornamental, economic and ecological horticultural purposes. He envisions Tower Hill as one of the best public gardens in the country.

Development (Hope Spear): Mrs. Spear, on behalf of Honorary Chairman, Helen Stoddard, Co-chairman Beals and herself, thanked the various chairmen and, most of all, the generous people of Worcester County who made the Tower Hill campaign a success. She quoted from Peter Donker's article in which he described Tower Hill as a "sleeping giant."

Scholarship (Gale Morgan): Mrs. Morgan reported that Scott K. Johnson of Northborough had been selected to receive the $1,000 Proctor-Channin Scholarship for 1987-88 and described him as a most promising young landscaper.

Personnel (Linda Milton): Mrs. Milton indicated that the committee appointed last spring is now writing a personnel policy; and described staff changes which had taken place during the year. She also told of plans to augment the staff by dividing the educational coordinator position into a special events and interpretation person and a program coordinator; there will also be grounds assistance.

Nominating (Tammy Butler): Mrs. Butler presented the following slate of officers for the coming year: *President* — Philip C. Beals; *Vice Presidents* — Robert F. Florsheim, Richard W. Dearborn, Hope Spear and Linda Milton; *Treasurer* — Henry Rudio; *Secretary* — Elizabeth Dean. Trustees nominated for three year terms: George F. Bernardin, Gladys Bozenhard, Thomas Buchter, Mary V. C. Callahan, Cacky Hodgson and Gale Morgan; and Trustee for a one year term: Richard Reed. There being no further nominations from the floor, Mrs. Butler moved, it was seconded and voted that the nominated slate become the elected slate.

Additionally, the Nominating Committee recommended that Betty Gifford be designated Honorary Trustee in recognition of her many contributions to the Society since she was first elected trustee in 1968. This, too, was moved, seconded and voted.

Mr. Beals then spoke of how fortunate we are to have such a fine young staff, full of enthusiasm. He looks forward to the coming year and development of architectural and master plans. He thanked the trustees who have given so generously of their time, speaking of his pleasure at being in at the start. He hoped that all present had caught the enthusiasm that he and other Trustees feel.

Executive Director Trexler thanked Mr. Beals for continuing to be such a marvelous president.

There being no further business, Mr. Trexler then introduced Dr. Kerry S. Walter of the Center for Plant Conservation, Arnold Arboretum, who presented an illustrated lecture, "Beyond our Boundaries, the Role of Botanic Gardens in Global Plant Conservation."

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth O. Dean
Secretary

PRESIDENTS

OF THE
WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

JOHN GREEN	1840-1844
ISAAC DAVIS	1844-1848
JOHN MILTON EARLE	1848-1851
STEPHEN SALISBURY, 2ND	1851-1857
DANIEL WALDO LINCOLN	1857-1860
ALEXANDER H. BULLOCK	1860-1863
GEORGE JAQUES	1863-1864
J. HENRY HILL	1864-1867
FRANCIS H. DEWEY	1867-1871
GEORGE W. RICHARDSON	1871-1872
GEORGE E. FRANCIS	1872-1874
OBADIAH B. HADWEN	1875-1876
WILLIAM T. MERRIFIELD	1876-1879
STEPHEN SALISBURY, 3RD	1879-1881
FRANCIS H. DEWEY	1881-1888
HENRY L. PARKER	1888-1895
OBADIAH B. HADWEN	1895-1908
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ARTHUR E. HARTSHORN	1916-1918
CHARLES GREENWOOD	1918-1920
LEONARD C. MIDGLEY	1920-1922
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HERBERT E. BERG	1963-1964
LINWOOD M. ERSKINE, JR.	1964-1968
FREDERICK D. BROWN	1968-1972
PALMER W. BIGELOW, JR.	1972-1975
PAUL E. ROGERS	1975-1979
H. WAITE HURLBURT	1979-1984
CUSHING C. BOZENHARD	1 - 4/1984
PHILIP C. BEALS	5/1984-

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